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THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc

Palmer, Mass.

1947

# Town Officers --- 1946

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## Town Clerk

JOHN T. BROWN

Term expires 1948

## Town Treasurer, 1 Year

ROBERT L. McDONALD

## Collector of Taxes, 1 Year

JOHN T. BROWN

## Selectmen, 1 Year

PETER F. WARAKOMSKI, Chairman

GEORGE B. CHENEY DANIEL W. O'CONNOR

## Assessors

DAVID B. SMITH, Chairman

Term expires 1949

OSCAR F. BRESSETTE

Term expires 1947

LUDWIK MARHELEWICZ

Term expires 1948

## Board of Public Welfare

JOHN K. MCKENZIE, Chairman

Term expires 1949

OSCAR LAVIOLETTE

Term expires 1947

GEORGE E. CALLAHAN

Term expires 1948

## Auditors, 1 Year

CLARENCE A. CARRINGTON

ALLEN F. DAVIS

GARTON J. QUIMBY

**Tree Warden, 1 Year**  
**WALTER H. CAMBO, Jr.**

**Constables, 1 Year**

JAMES H. CARTER	JAMES F. DUFFY
JAMES H. MacGEACHEY	STEPHEN J. SALAMON
FREDERICK D. THOMPSON, Jr.	

**School Committee**

GARRETT P. CAVANAUGH, Chairman

JOSEPH A. FUREY	Term expires 1948
CHARLES GIROUX	Term expires 1947
STANLEY W. WISNEWSKI	Term expires 1947
TREVOR A. BAKER	Term expires 1948
PAUL HEINE, Jr. (appointed to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles Giroux)	Term Expires 1949

**Board of Health**

JANE COULTER, Chairman	Term expires 1948
WILLIAM J. BERNAT	Term expires 1947
ALFRED R. KELLEY	Term expires 1949

**Cemetery Commissioners**

LOUIS J. BRAINERD, Chairman	Term expires 1949
LESLIE R. KEITH	Term expires 1947
ROBERT E. FAULKNER	Term expires 1948

**License Commissioners, 1 year**

ROBERT A. SWAIN, Chairman	
CHARLES H. BRESSETTE	JOHN F. KMON

**Planning Board**

TIMOTHY D. CRIMMINS	Term expires 1947
PATRICK J. NAGLE	Term expires 1947
CLEOPHAS R. POTVIN	Term expires 1948
STEVEN SCUDDER	Term expires 1948
KENNETH H. MARCY	Term expires 1949
MICHAEL R. SULLIVAN	Term expires 1949

1946

## Town Clerk's Report

The following dog licenses were issued during the year ending December 31, 1946:

Males	448
Females	85
Spayed Females	185
Kennel	3
e Licenses:	
Males	8
Spayed Females	2
Total	731

Paid to Town Treasurer during 1946 \$1,616.80

\* For dogs whose owners were in the military or naval service.

The following Vital Statistics were received for record for the year ending December 31, 1946:

Number of births	261
Number of marriages	227
Number of deaths	129

JOHN T. BROWN

### Town Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS

The attention of parents and others is called to the following Vital Statistics. It is important that the records should be correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered, the Town Clerk will deem it a favor to have the same reported to him at once, and he will make the corrections in accordance with the law. Parents should also know that a proper return of birth is made as it may be of great importance in after life.

### Births 1946

DATE NAME OF CHILD

PARENTS

#### January

1	Iris Lucille Capen	Fred A. and Doris I.
2	Jean Lech	Walter P. and Virginia J.
4	William Mann Hearn, Jr.	William M. and Imogene C.
5	Phillip Lester Sampson	Bernard A. and Flora E.
6	John Donald Murphy	John D. and Ellen A.
7	Robert Louis Wszolet	Stephen and Lillian
9	Patricia Mary Sullivan	Timothy F. and Ann R.
12	Marie Ann Bisnette	Wallace T. and Winnie
13	Richard Peter Bonnayer	Theodore N. and Beatrice R.
13	Bernard Frank Grabowski	Bernard T. and Julia
16	Donna Jean Clough	Alden P. and Lois
19	Ann Marie Dupuis	Omer E. and Jeanne
20	David Paul Russo	James F. and June
23	Judith Ellen Harris	Elmer L. and Margaret
24	Michael Joseph Piatek	Joseph M. and Mabel M. M.
25	Robert Sterling Burford	Robert E. and Lois E.

#### February

4	Roger Alvin Rondeau	Arthur A. and Irene P.
7	Catherine Rose Hryniewicz	Alexander and Irene E.

## DATE NAME OF CHILD

## PARENTS

9	Paul Joseph Strzemienski	Stanley J. and Veronica A.
14	Louise Alma Trominski	Russell A. and Wanda A.
15	Alice Duda	Mitchell W. and Frances T.
16	George Edward Desotell	Arthur W. and Anna E.
18	Karen Sue Raymond	Theodore M. and Thelma L.
19	Paul McCarron Auclair	William J. and Gertrude E.
21	Mary Sophie Gwozdz	Bolac J. and Caroline C.
23	Susan Ruth Smith	Charles F. and Mary E.
25	Raymond Roger Gibbs	Burnham R. and Marjorie M.
26	Dorothy Winslow Smart, 2nd.	Robert R. and Dorothy W.

## March

1	Carol Ann Sheldon	Willard and Ruth
3	Euwilda Susan Coggins	Ellis E. and Mildred J.
3	Wayne Francis Dunbar	John L. and Sabra M.
4	Carter James Stephenson	Harry L. and Adele A.
6	Richard Paul Graveline	Alfred H. and Marie R.
7	Lee Martin Fountain	Lawrence M. and Louise M.
13	Frederick John Guzik, Jr.	Frederick J. and Wanda H.
15	Kathleen Linda Evasius	Charles F. and Millicent H.
16	Eileen Luella Young	Earl A. and Catherine L.
17	Patricia Ann Lapolice	Arthur and Thelma
19	John Joseph Sieczkowski, Jr.	John J. and Stacia B.
23	Edmond John Arsenault	Ernest W. and Irene M.
25	William David Goulette	Ernest L. and Myrabelle M.

## April

4	Kathleen Marion Hryniwicz	Anthony A. and Stephanie M.
5	Leslie Ray Collins, Jr.	Leslie R. and Carolyn M.
6	David Arthur Fountaine	Arthur J. and Marion L.
7	Steward George DeBoise	James A. and Ruth
8	Nancy Etta Barrett	Stanley W. and Henrietta
9	Leo Donald Benoit	Florian L. and Dora L.
10	Robert Michael Dunn	William F. and Catherine M.
13	Gina Marie Benedetti	Harry and Iris M.
13	Allan Richard Bryant	Carl L. and Florida M.
13	Maxine Carol Varney	Henry H. and Blanche E.
14	Theodore K. Pappas	Christ K. and Bessie L.
14	Gilbert John Surprenant	Harry J. and Eva A.
15	Dana Jean Clark	Ernest A. and Kathleen M.
16	Judith Ann Kology	Joseph J. and Marie A.

## DATE NAME OF CHILD

## PARENTS

18	Diane Elizabeth Tetreault	Normand E. and Elva E.
18	Edward David Yargeau	Uledge J. and Dorothy R.
19	Donald Joseph Smith	Franklin P. and Annette R.
19	Raymond Peter Smith	Franklin P. and Annette R.
23	Mary Ann Kochanek	John W. and Pauline M.
23	Terry Alan Papesh	Edward and Helen
25	John James Chalue	Gordon A. Jr. and Alice M.
26	Joseph Bak	John J. and Mary B.
30	Vivian Elizabeth Litz	William E. Jr. and Mary M.

## May

2	Dorothy Evelyn Boucher	Alphonse J. and Pauline
5	Frances Mae Strychaz	Stanley J. and Bernice A.
8	Girard Patrick Burke	Francis R. and Marguerite B.
14	Paul Wojtowicz	Stanley A. and Sophie V.
21	David Charles Matera	Joseph E. and Genevieve C.
22	Myra Simone Bluestein	Jacob K. and Sylvia
22	Nancy Lee Hunter	Walter B. and Rosamond A.
23	Michael Hugh Welsh	Hugh F. and Mary C.
28	Cornelius Joseph Murphy, 3rd	Cornelius J. and Florence E.
30	Rhea Annette Letourneau	William N. and Agnes C.

## June

1	Michael John Burns	Cedric P. and Edna D.
5	Kenneth Nelson Perry	George A. and Doris V.
6	Peter Anthony Czepiel	Peter A. and Hedwig C.
14	Linda Mary Bednarz	Fred J. and Josephine
16	Paige Welling Hopper	William C. and Margaret B.
16	Maureen Ellen Sullivan	Michael F. and Marion E.
19	Raymond Paul Midura	Walter J. and Elaine D.
20	Richard Peter Salem	Henry R. and Catherine M.
21	Paul Hamilton Careau	Guy B. and Rita J.
24	William John Homans, Jr.	William J. and Irene
25	Ronald Michael Smith	James J. and Alice M.
26	Anita Gay	Ernest C. Jr. and Aurelia M.
27	Gerald Raymond Chudy	Raymond Z. and Sophia W.
28	Carol Anne Gaudette	Arthur J. and Adele M.
28	Susanne Elizabeth Gray	Harold J. and Doris E.
28	James Joseph Moran, Jr.	James J. and C. Alberta
30	Bruce Harold Morgan	Richard H. and Eva E.

## July

2	Patricia Ann Dumont	Ernest M. and Shirley B.
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## DATE NAME OF CHILD

## PARENTS

3	Jean Elizabeth Brown	William T. and Marie H.
3	Doris Lillian Renaud	Edmund R. and Theresa D.
4	Marcia Carol Thomas	Leslie M. and Eleanor
5	Ernest Webster Gunther, Jr.	Ernest W. and Caroline A.
8	Kenneth Robert Pratt	Quinten R. and Elisabeth
8	Charles Peter Tokarz, Jr.	Charles P. and Ann M.
9	Mary Leona Tribendis	John J. and Josephine
10	John Thompson Hatch	Stanley V. and Jacqueline
10	Patricia Mary Bish	Jacob and Sophie A.
12	James Michael O'Connor	Michael L. and Shirley B.
15	Armand Joseph Leveillee	Andrew J. and Alice E.
16	Raymond Charles Arsenault	John C. and May E.
16	Mary Jean Augustine	Michael J. and Edna C.
17	Michael Elwood Gralinski	Constantine P. and Juanita J.
19	Robert William Perrin	John W. and Helen A.
20	Joseph Donald Fitzpatrick	Joseph S. and Marie A.
20	Paula Ann Lambert	Paul G. and Josephine A.
21	Brenda Cheryl Jordan	Joe B. and Mona L.
21	Andrea Kras	Leon L. and Anna H.
22	Kenneth E. Nadok	Edward M. and Beverly J.
24	Howard Cobb Parker	Howard and Dorothy
24	Robert Charles Swain	Robert D. and Ora B.
25	Stanley Charles Sharp	Edward F. and Mary T.
28	Nancy Lee McHugh	Owen Jr. and Helen C.
29	Kenneth Allen Kulis	Alexander P. and Mary A.
31	Dorothy Louise Connor	Robert G. and Dorothy L.
31	Gail Ann Dorney	Francis J. and Eleanor V.

## August

2	Lorraine Sophia Mack	Albert W. and Evelyn J.
3	Susan Louise Cichon	John J. and Alice H.
3	Jeanne Marie Richer	Roland P. and Marie R.
6	David Zisk	Bernard and Mary V.
9	Ellen Mae Cavanaugh	Jeremiah M. and Rhea
11	Carol Joan Swiatlowski	Frank J. and Sophie A.
12	Dianne Marie Kularski	Thaddeus and Helen F.
12	Laura Amber Ouellet	Maurice F. and Jeanne D.
12	Madeline Dorothy Polom	Frank Jr. and Helene M.
13	John Robert Butcher	John R. and Tekla T.
14	Richard Joseph Brodeur	Rao L. and Rita B.
14	Robert Stanley Drzal	Rudolph and Julia A.
18	Karen Irene Dohms	Herman W. and Irene G.

## DATE NAME OF CHILD

## PARENTS

18	Eleanor Ann Thompson	Roy O. and Grace E.
19	Arthur George Allen	Arthur G. and Anna V.
20	Robert Walter Kusek	Walter J. and Josephine L.
20	Gary Emil Lemon	Norman C. and Hazel E.
21	James Walukiewicz	Stanley J. and Bertha R.
23	Candace Marlene Berhtiaume	Alfred W. and Gladys M.
23	Joy Ellen Johnson	Edward and Dorothy M.
24	Daniel Anthony Trela	Anthony A. and Bernice V.
24	David Wayne Wallace	Robert and Agnes M.
25	Roger Edward Brach	Edward and Regane M.
25	John Albert Bruso	Adrian A. and Phyllis M.
28	Linda Katherine Dorval	Ralph G. and Anna V.
28	David Linwood Ziegler	Alfred and Margaret
30	Richard Gardner Cody	Bernard W. & Janet
31	Roland Ronald Joyal	Arthur and Ida

## September

1	Andrew John Sears	Andrew T. and Victoria T.
6	Christine Mary Jeske	Joseph A. and Genevieve C.
7	Peter Henry Bleau	Henry R. and Elsie A.
8	Regina Louise Soucy	Robert Paul and Althea M.
8	Regina Louise Soucy	Roger Paul and Althea M.
12	Michael Joseph Moran	Francis D. and Marcella A.
13	Joyce Ann Costa	Bernard J. and Florence B.
13	Harold Edward Fountain, Jr.	Harold E. and Bernadette C.
13	Gloria Jean McDonald	William L. and Grace
13	Linda Louise Shultz	James B. and Loraine A.
14	Joan Carol Bradlenski	Edward J. and Josephine J.
14	James Frederick Desley	Matthew L. and Evangeline M.
17	Sandra Lee Gullmes	Carl W. and Mildred E.
21	Diane Sylvia Castledine	Joseph R. and Sylvia W.
22	James Kempesty	Joseph and Adele A.
22	Joseph Kempesty	Joseph and Adele A.
22	Alfred Anthony Santos	Alfred J. and Catherine S.
23	Edmund Edward Lucas	Andrew A. and Cecilia A.
23	Christine Shannon Lynch	Matthew James and Eleanor K.
23	Edward Joseph Orluk, Jr.	Edward J. and Helen J.
24	Carol Ann Bragiel	Frank W. and Sophie F.
24	Patricia Anne Coyer	Forrest J. and Agnes A.
24	Diane Kay Supeczak	Stanley M. and Sophie H.
24	Kathryn Mary Wielkiewicz	Anthony C. and Helen
24	Philip Cameron Woods, Jr.	Philip C. and Juliette M.

## DATE NAME OF CHILD

## PARENTS

25 Mary Ann Salamon  
 27 Diana Jean Beile  
 27 Alan Robert Forsman  
 29 Joseph William Holmes  
 29 George William Mann  
 29 Rita Mae Smart

Walter F. and Mary B.  
 Henry W. and Mary A.  
 Robert S. and Muriel O.  
 Paul E. and Marion E.  
 Eugene W. and Eva M.  
 Raymond A. and Wilhelmina I.

## October

3 Philip Winthrop Forsman  
 3 Dayle Ann Tripp  
 5 Linda Mastalerz  
 6 Edward Ronald Kowalski, Jr.  
 7 Kathleen Ann Smith  
 9 Barbara Balinsky  
 9 Ruth Ann Jordan  
 11 John Joseph Walker  
 12 Linda Elizabeth Walker  
 13 Anthony Thomas Biron  
 15 Kathleen Linda Daly  
 16 Judith Lynn Hintz  
 19 Richard John Pelletier  
 20 Evelyn Russell Taft  
 22 Beverly Ann Cluett  
 23 Francis John Hunter  
 25 Christine Renee Perron  
 27 Mark Allen Brothers  
 30 Keven Paul Roche  
 31 Joyce Cheri Anderson

Albert F. and Edith G.  
 Arthur D. and Therese M. C.  
 Joseph S. and Mary  
 Edward R. and Bertha K.  
 Frederick T. and Rita  
 Walter and Isabell V.  
 Joseph F. and Dorothy I.  
 Henry N. and Clarabelle M.  
 Henry N. and Clarabelle M.  
 Alexander B. and Doris M.  
 Everett C. and Helen B.  
 Philip A. and Elizabeth J.  
 Lucien H. and Katherine A.  
 Edwin R. and Evelyn L.  
 George E. and Helen M.  
 William A. and Mary C.  
 Joseph W. and Carmel G.  
 Clifford A. and Thelma R.  
 Bernard J. and Eileen M.  
 Charles V. and Louise H.

## November

1 Lloyd Arnold Dearden  
 5 Cynthia Pollack  
 7 Herbert Samuel Cole, Jr.  
 9 June Ann Finlayson  
 11 Judith Catherine Quigley  
 13 Ronald William Lemanski  
 13 Daniel Gordon Loux  
 17 John Larry Pobieglo  
 17 Kenneth George Sweetman  
 18 Patricia Ducomb  
 20 Joan Elizabeth Cummings  
 21 Mary Ann Lukaskiewicz

Sydney A. and Eleanor I.  
 Edward T. and Valeria A.  
 Herbert S. and Romola  
 Charles and Elsie V.  
 Robert T. and Thelma N. M. I.  
 William F. and Mary H.  
 Gordon E. and Dorothy M.  
 John I. and Doris L.  
 Paul J. and Alice E.  
 George W. and Catherine M.  
 Robert J. and Elizabeth E.  
 John J. and Cecelia A.

## DATE NAME OF CHILD

## PARENTS

22 Kathryn Plato  
 24 Keith Edward Walker  
 25 David Joseph Broughton  
 25 Paul Nelson Cutler  
 25 Gary Clayton Davis  
 28 Kathleen Mary Paturas

Joseph E. and Jeanne A.  
 Charles L. and Doris E.  
 Joseph E. and Winifred M.  
 Walter N. and Sarah  
 Grayson C. and Sylvia R.  
 George and Kathleen

## December

2 Kathleen Ann Sawicki  
 3 Arthur Benjamin Jefferson, Jr.  
 4 Barbara Ann Fontaine  
 4 Betty Ann Fontaine  
 4 Lance Jon Rivers  
 6 Stephen Gerard Coache  
 7 Richard Walter Desmarais  
 8 Daniel James Coyer  
 8 Richard John Jellen  
 8 Richard Joseph Koslowski  
 8 Linda Mae Lyons  
 8 Gerald Lawrence Paquette  
 8 Susan Jane Szaban  
 9 Edward Richard Reynolds, Jr.  
 13 John Paul Roberts  
 15 Robert Daniel Katawicz  
 16 Beverly Jane Nikoden  
 17 David Lile Brown  
 18 Linda Ann Skowyra  
 20 Donald Thomas Murray  
 22 Frank Phillip Peck  
 23 Christine Jajuga  
 23 Stephen John Kosmider, Jr.  
 24 Michael Morris Moynahan  
 25 Sandra Irene Slozak  
 25 Robert Walter Slozak  
 26 Nancy Louise Leab  
 28 Edward Walter Closta  
 28 David Daniel Fuller  
 28 Norman Charles King

Frank W. and Mary W.  
 Arthur B. and Ruth A.  
 Henry F. and Loretta A.  
 Henry F. and Loretta A.  
 Thomas A. and Josephine K.  
 Frederick P. and Bernice C.  
 Walter W. and Rose M.  
 Leo and Yvonne  
 John A. and Felicia C.  
 Joseph F. and Nellie A.  
 Francis J. and Pearl A.  
 Walter C. and Regina R.  
 Stephen J. and Ida E.  
 Edward R. and Ethel R.  
 John Jr. and Roxanna I.  
 Peter F. and Claire J.  
 Edward J. and Sophie  
 Lile H. and Helen W.  
 Joseph D. and Hazel M.  
 George J. and Elizabeth A.  
 Howard E. and Lillian H.  
 Stanley J. and Anna A.  
 Stephen J. and Sophie B.  
 Morris J. and Stephanie M.  
 Theodore W. and Helen T.  
 Theodore W. and Helen T.  
 Elmer L. and Louise A.  
 Joseph and Helen C.  
 Perley A. and Marion E.  
 Leroy C. and Lenore P.

## Marriages 1946

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
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### January

2	John G. Howard	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Barbara F. Sharratt	Palmer
5	Raymond F. Sabourin	Holyoke	Edna E. Kulis	Palmer
7	Frank R. Padykula	Palmer	Lillian M. Jewett	Ware
9	Dorwin L. Raymond	Monson	Marion L. Keith	Palmer
13	Stanley A. Kwasnik	Monson	Mary T. Janulewicz	Palmer
19	Ralph E. Goodreau	Palmer	Doris M. Dupre	Palmer
19	Kendrick McKee	Palmer	Elaine S. Fenton	Palmer
19	Stephen J. Paydos	Hardwick	Stephanie S. Lech	Palmer
19	Stephen John Wegiel	Palmer	Emilie Agnes Cieslak	Taftville, Ct.
26	Arthur M. Holloway	Providence, R. I.	Stasia Zajac	Palmer
26	Frank W. Korzec	W. Warren	June M. Rooney	Palmer
26	Ambrose D. St. George, Jr.	Palmer	Ellen C. Lynch	W. Warren
30	Walter J. Majka	Gilbertville	Claire E. Boisclair	Ware

### February

2	Robert J. Cummings	Spfld.	Elizabeth E. Salamon	Palmer
2	Wells Frank Zerdecki	Palmer	Josephine S. Zak	Hartford, Ct.
8	George H. McCurdy	Palmer	Frances L. Brown	High Point, North Carolina
9	John Bettro	So. Hadley	Julienne Clair Elisee	So. Hadley
9	Andrew T. Kubik	Wilbraham	Irene C. Klekotka	Palmer
9	Joseph Noga	Palmer	Edith Saj	Chicopee
9	Walter J. Piesz	Ludlow	Helen K. Drzal	Palmer
10	Stanley A. Karczmarczyk	Palmer	Felixa A. Szado	Palmer
11	Edward S. Syper	Palmer	Henrietta M. Kresco	Brimfield
14	Ellsworth R. Dustin	Palmer	Esther D. Oppenheimer	Palmer
16	Lester H. Kenyon	Palmer	Willena E. Garrison	Palmer
16	John Lizak	Palmer	Gloria A. St. John	Palmer
16	Walter F. Rudek	Ware	Joan S. Piechota	Palmer
18	Frank C. Zisk	Palmer	Irene T. Laviolette	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
21	Robert H. Smith	Palmer	Mabel E. O'Connor	Springfield
23	Walter L. Dominik	Palmer	Wanda A. Kudla	Chicopee
23	George W. DuComb	Palmer	Catherine M. Ditto	Palmer
23	Donald S. Fountain	Palmer	Pearl A. Connor	Northampton
23	Raymond M. Frye	St. Johnsville, N. Y.	Catherine S. Kogut	Palmer
24	Raleigh E. Dingman	Palmer	Catherine L. Whistler	Evansville, Ind.
24	Roy A. Roesch, Jr.	Toledo, Ohio	Sophie Ann Zabek	Ludlow

## March

2	Stephen J. Olszewski	Hardwick	Cora E. Conway	W. Brookfield
2	Donat Joly	Putnam, Ct.	Edith S. Conway	W. Brookfield
3	Andrew G. Smith, Jr.	Spfld.	Mary Rose Kajka	Springfield
3	John T. Spelko	Palmer	Rose Christman	West Warren
5	Louis S. Roman	Palmer	Mary A. Kincius	Palmer
8	Edward Trybus	No. Wilbraham	Mary E. Santos	Palmer
15	Charles J. Kenyon, Jr.	Palmer	Helen R. Howard	Palmer
16	Edwin L. Wirstrom	Palmer	Gladys A. Aldrich	Springfield
21	Charles M. Ellison	Ludlow	Bertha Loncto	Springfield
23	Roland N. Berthiaume	Ware	Winnifred V. Langley	Ware
31	Talmadge O. Ledford	Palmer	Julia M. Gralenski	Palmer

## April

18	Raymond J. Corso	So. Barre	Louise H. Mason	So. Barre
27	Richard E. Bradway	Palmer	Roberta J. Patterson	Palmer
27	William R. Butcher	Palmer	Ethel I. Blash	Worcester
27	Walter H. Goodreau	Palmer	Veronica S. Machnik	Ware
27	Anthony S. Mucha	Ware	Caroline M. Dupre	Palmer
27	Joseph Pobieglo	Palmer	Franciska A. Noga	Palmer
27	Joseph P. Slozak	Palmer	Josephine M. Handzel	Ware
27	Frank J. Splaine	Palmer	Mary G. Richardson	Palmer
27	Raymond A. St. John	Palmer	Loyce M. LaForest	Palmer
29	Bernard J. Romanik	Palmer	Monica T. Lebida	Belchertown

## May

1	Stephen J. Bobowicz	Palmer	Edna F. Potorski	Chicopee Falls
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DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
4	Walter H. Bazan	Pittsfield	Josephine A. Szanderowski	Pittsfield
4	Peter D. Dougal	Palmer	Julia A. Opalinski	No. Wilbraham
4	Brian A. Lauzon	Palmer	Yvette J. Lapointe	Palmer
4	Edward J. Ryba	Ludlow	Bridget Wilk	Palmer
4	Alexander S. Sierakowski	Palmer	Mary M. Gajewski	Ludlow
10	Henry Cole	Palmer	Helen L. Gero	Palmer
11	Roger V. Godbout	Ware	Irene M. Mayor	Palmer
11	Walter Smola	Belchertown	Alice S. Jamrog	Palmer
12	Theodore J. Arabik	Palmer	Josephine E. Pluta	Palmer
13	George R. Hetu	Southbridge	Ernestine L. Fauteux	Southbridge
16	Clifford E. Stacy	Monson	Dorothy M. Smith	Palmer
17	William A. Redden	W. Warren	Florence O. Couture	West Warren
18	Albert J. Gouvin	Palmer	Marjorie A. Murphy	No. Wilbraham
18	Joseph M. Kochanek	Palmer	Felixa M. Guzik	Ware
18	Joseph W. Pluta	Hardwick	Julia M. Daniel	Palmer
18	John A. Swiatlowski	Palmer	Helen J. Kosla	Hardwick
21	David Davis, Jr.	Palmer	Frances D. Cushman	Palmer
24	William J. Collins	Palmer	Corinne O. Archer	Springfield
25	Frederick P. Jambora	Palmer	Helen M. Jorcak	Palmer
25	Isadore P. Lejman	Palmer	Stephanie M. Szpis	Palmer
29	John J. Lynch	Newark, N. J.	Rosalie A. Kroll	Palmer
30	Gilford W. Collins	Wilbraham	Bertha C. Mitus	Wilbraham
30	Stanley P. Kuzniar	Palmer	Phyllis C. Rogowski	Chicopee
30	Clayton E. Lamoy	Palmer	Charlotte M. Welch	Monson
30	Boleslaw J. Rymarski	Ware	Stefania Sendzik	Palmer
30	Paul E. Smith	Hardwick	Delilah B. Lariviere	Hardwick
30	John G. Spear	Orange	Mary J. Cole	Palmer
June				
1	Hugh J. Donahue	Palmer	Stephanie S. Dasco	Palmer
1	William J. Gula	Palmer	Sophie C. Boyko	Palmer
1	Walenty Kochanek	Ludlow	Mary A. Zabka	Palmer
1	Alexander R. Matera	Palmer	Cecelia A. Gruszenski	Palmer
1	Joseph S. Michonski	Palmer	Irene S. Jurkiewicz	Ludlow

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
1 Max W. Sagan	Chicopee		Bozenna S. Wyzik	Wilbraham
1 Stanley Wilczynski			Anna M. Pietras	Palmer
		Trenton, N. J.		
2 Stanley A. Dranka	Palmer		Matilda A. Kwasniewski	
				Palmer
3 Lawrence J. Zelazo	Palmer		Anna S. Kincius	Palmer
8 Stanley Ridz	Palmer		Florence M. Bollman	Palmer
9 Joseph C. Dominik	Palmer		Amelia H. Kaczuwka	Palmer
9 Alphonse J. Lasota	Palmer		Antoinette M. Chrabascz	Ware
9 Frank S. Urban	Ware		Anna M. Midura	Palmer
15 William E. Reynolds, Jr.		Palmer	Helen M. Planta	Springfield
15 John V. Wnuk	Palmer		Josephine P. Workum	
				Wilbraham
16 George Larrivee	Wilbraham		Mabel A. Sullivan	Wilbraham
16 Edward J. Szostek	Palmer		Stephanie M. Skowron	Palmer
16 John M. Trzeciak	Palmer		Emma G. Orszulak	W. Warren
20 John F. Wajda	Chicopee		Helen F. Siegel	Palmer
22 Walter L. Bleau	Worcester		Felicia A. Szczepanek	Palmer
22 Frank W. Charwick	Monson		Mary S. Golas	Palmer
22 Frank A. Szabla	Palmer		Helen V. Swartz	Springfield
23 Julian M. Misiaszek		Wilbraham	Julia S. Wisnoski	Palmer
29 Joseph S. Baldyga	Palmer		M. A. Olive Fournier	Ware
29 Stanley J. Cuddy	Palmer		Lucille C. Latos	Monson
29 Marcel A. Desmarais	Palmer		Mabel I. Thomas	Palmer
29 Stanley S. Stanek	Spfld.		Josephine A. Balon	Palmer
30 Anthony F. Lewicki		Brooklyn, N. Y.	Josephine M. Zabek	Ludlow
30 Stanislas A. Orchulek			Hedwig C. Lis	Palmer
		Palmer		

## July

1 Gerald J. Aliengena	Monson	Constance E. Griswold	Palmer
4 Bolac J. Kulig	Palmer	Stephanie C. Zuchara	Ware
5 Charles W. Flower	Palmer	C. Patricia Culnane	Palmer
6 Frank L. Amerio	Palmer	Alice E. Forte	Palmer
6 Raymond R. Monette		Elsie M. Brown	Palmer
	Palmer		
6 Wayne L. Rawson	Monson	Olive V. Bryans	Palmer
6 Joseph S. Romanik	Palmer	Lillian V. Gracia	New Bedford
7 Joseph W. Peters	Waltham	Anna J. Bigda	Waltham

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
8	Thomas H. Bruso	Ludlow	Mary E. Gero	Palmer
13	John F. Cholewa	Palmer	Gladys M. Hajec	Dudley
13	Mitchell J. Kulig	Palmer	Stella H. Puc	Springfield
15	Richard Clough	Palmer	Rose M. Siegel	Palmer
15	George C. Collins	Springfield	Elaine M. Laviolette	Palmer
21	Milton S. Trzeciak	Palmer	Alice S. Lukasik	Chicopee Falls
22	Leroy C. Rogers	Palmer	Jeanne R. Dulude	Palmer
27	Peter Raymond	Ware	Rose Comstock	Ware
28	Adolph S. Les	Palmer	Josephine A. Zajac	Palmer
29	Ralph D. Waldron	Waltham	Mattie B. Lang	Somerville

## August

3	Mieczislaw W. Bernat	Ware	Helen J. Lech	Palmer
3	Joseph J. Gurka	Ware	Veronica M. Czupryna	Palmer
3	Alexander M. Palka	Palmer	Delia M. Houle	Ware
3	Lawrence J. Rouisse	Ware	Fannie B. Hines	Hardwick
3	Roy W. West	Ware	Alice G. Lovett	Palmer
10	Joseph P. Bigda	Palmer	Sophie Kania	Springfield
10	Alfred J. Boudreau	Belchertown	Ann P. Pobieglo	Palmer
10	William C. Burden	Springfield	Cecile A. Beaudreau	Palmer
10	Anthony Czapla	Palmer	Jennie J. Swistak	Ware
10	Harold W. Willey	Palmer	Alice T. Puta	Belchertown
13	Albert D'Angona	Hartford, Ct.	Sophie Yarum	Hartford, Ct.
15	Theodore W. Brothers	Monson	Phyllis Matchett	Monson
17	Norman J. Bishop	Palmer	Marilyn A. Eklund	Cranston, R. I.
17	James E. Dupre	Palmer	Shirley A. Goodreau	Palmer
18	John Lisiewicz	Belchertown	Kazmiara J. Bysiewicz	Palmer
19	Reino H. Laiho	Palmer	Shirley Aldrich	W. Springfield
24	Charles E. Mack	Palmer	Lillian E. McDonald	Sturbridge
24	Raymond A. Sattler	Holyoke	Mary H. Aldrich	Holyoke
31	William G. Blodgett	Springfield	Elaine M. Odell	Palmer
31	Walter A. Czupryna	Palmer	Emily C. Frydryk	Palmer
31	Edward Brown, Jr.	Palmer	Mary Karczmarczyk	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
September				
2	Joseph W. Dennis, Jr.	Worcester	Lorraine M. Potvin	Palmer
2	Bernard T. Henry	W. Roxbury	Henriette E. Chabot	Palmer
2	Nicholas P. Hine	Stafford Springs, Ct.	Adele W. Zelazo	Palmer
2	Clarence J. Pikul	Palmer	Teresa M. Beauchemin	Monson
2	John S. Sydla	Ware	Victoria A. Niemczura	Palmer
2	Alphonse W. Tyburski	Palmer	Jessie P. Evasius	Palmer
7	Sumner R. Chapin	W. Brookfield	Mary E. Crowther	Palmer
7	Andrew P. Conway	Palmer	Joan S. Haley	Monson
7	Robert W. Curtis	Palmer	Joyce Kempton	Palmer
7	Joseph Malzenski	Warren	Mary A. Bradlenski	Palmer
7	John D. McCaughey	Palmer	Barbara J. North	Palmer
7	Ermindo J. Silva	Springfield	Lucille M. Leroux	Palmer
7	Dale R. Whitesides	Ketchikan, Alaska	Thelma A. Gilbert	Palmer
9	Albert A. Cadieux	Palmer	M. Blanche Coache	Palmer
11	Paul J. Betts	Muskegon, Mich.	Annina D. Sivo	Providence R. I.
11	Edward D. Boutin	Palmer	Victorine M. Lovern	Pelham
11	John Marvonek, Jr.	Staffordville, Ct.	Ellen T. Drew	Palmer
14	Warren J. Buttler	Palmer	Margaret E. St.George	Palmer
14	Louis A. Ciko	Palmer	Dorothy E. Harpan	Palmer
16	Aime J. Beaudreau	Palmer	Helen Chicoine	Springfield
21	Benedict F. Fleury	Ludlow	Geraldine L. Rivers	Palmer
21	Raymond W. Hewitt	Palmer	Winifred G. Fitch	Palmer
21	Robert W. Peterson	Palmer	Rose S. Sowa	Palmer
21	Robert L. Smith	Palmer	Lillian B. Minalga	Gilbertville
23	John E. Shanahan	Bennington, Vt.	Edna M. Stokosa	Wilbraham
25	George G. White	Hartford, Ct.	Edna M. Dunlap	Hartford, Ct.
26	William H. McKenzie	E. Hartford, Ct.	Bernice Brzenski	Manchester, Ct.
28	Frank Banach	Palmer	Evelyn C. Bissonette	Palmer
28	James F. Carter	Palmer	Claire L. Barber	Palmer
28	William D. Ferry	Palmer	Veronica J. Szlosek	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
28	Joseph F. Mulak	Springfield	Mary T. Wilk	Palmer
28	Winfred W. Raymond	Palmer	Helen M. Kurtyka	Palmer
28	John T. Shirshac	So. Coventry, Ct.	Elizabeth A. Woron	Mansfield City, Ct.
30	Earle H. Floyd	Orange	Anna M. Zebrowski	Palmer

## October

5	Michael Flaherty	Belchertown	Mary E. Dasco	Palmer
5	Frank L. Reed, Jr.	Palmer	Jean Kempton	Palmer
6	Richard Barnes	Palmer	Mildred M. Otis	Palmer
7	Norman J. McCannon	Springfield	Madeline G. Yezewski	Springfield
12	John T. Austin	Palmer	Mary R. O'Connor	Palmer
12	Leo C. Bungle	Palmer	Eileen M. Belisle	Palmer
12	Edmund H. Bogacz	Palmer	Mary I. Noga	Palmer
12	John F. Kostolecki	Palmer	Clanthy Nicholas	Palmer
12	Stanley C. Pawlowski	Palmer	Stephanie A. Melnick	West Warren
12	Lawrence A. Scyocurka	Springfield	Valeria E. Szado	Palmer
13	Rudolph M. Pisarczyk	West Warren	Helen L. Wachta	Palmer
15	Victor W. Bukowski	Palmer	Frances Szlachetka	Chicopee
19	Joseph Czapla	Palmer	Rita R. Sullivan	Palmer
20	Girard F. Pare	Springfield	Helen A. Balon	Palmer
21	John Joseph Marks	Springfield	Patricia Ephrim	Springfield
26	Stephen M. Krynicki	Ludlow	Julia T. Szanderowski	Palmer
26	Donald M. Scott	Ludlow	Shirley L. Bearse	Palmer
30	Robert A. Bancroft	Hudson, N. H.	Marjorie P. Moore	Hudson, N. H.

## November

2	Wallace R. Henrichon	Palmer	Louise Mae Cady	Ware
4	Joseph F. Austin	Belchertown	Claire E. Sullivan	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
9	Chester J. Marchelewicz	Palmer	Alice M. Stachurski	Attleboro
9	Stephen J. Noga	Palmer	Sophie C. Czepiel	Palmer
9	Hazzard F. Post	Springfield	Dorothy E. Bryans	Palmer
9	Lawrence Roberts	Springfield	Marie E. Rollet	Palmer
9	Michael Szwed	No. Wilbraham	Theresa B. Witkowski	Palmer
10	Joseph F. Misiaszek	Palmer	Cecelia H. Kargol	Palmer
14	Walter P. Nawoj	Wilbraham	Victoria A. Konopka	Palmer
16	George A. Authier	Palmer	Lorraine M. Paquette	Palmer
16	Joseph J. Diesi	Palmer	Veronica Mary Carrigan	Palmer
16	Joseph Olearczyk	Palmer	Blanche B. Rozzen	Warren
16	John S. Strycharz	Chicopee	Wanda E. Kaczmarczyk	Palmer
16	Clark P. Lyon	Monson	Myrtle B. Smith	Palmer
23	Frank S. Kapinos	Palmer	Mildred S. Lechowicz	Ware
28	Earl J. Camyre	Palmer	Adele R. Russell	Shrewsbury
28	Francis T. Federico	Palmer	Mary Elizabeth Fox	Chicopee Falls
28	Joseph O. A. Graveline	Palmer	Stephanie C. Broton	Palmer
28	Stanley J. Lis	Palmer	Anna M. Sczygiel	Ludlow
28	Arthur A. Tetreault	Holyoke	Doris V. Santucci	Palmer
30	Aime T. Gaudette	Palmer	Virginia R. Santucci	Palmer
30	Stephen F. Misiaszek	Wilbraham	Veronica I. Bernat	Palmer
30	John P. Skaza	Palmer	Elaine E. O'Brien	Ware
December				
1	Ernest Tselikis	Portland, Me.	Christine S. Bouffides	Palmer
14	Lewis J. Lovell	Palmer	Gertrude M. Otis	Palmer
14	John E. Samples	Webster	Jeannette Dubeau	Webster
16	Francis R. Terry	Palmer	Evelyn Fell	Palmer
21	Carl D. Bancroft	W. Springfield	Edith L. Stevens	W. Springfield

## Deaths 1946

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
<b>January</b>				
3	George Victor Elder	75	7	28
6	Garfield Johnson	64	2	13
7	John J. McInerney	74	—	—
9	Hanora Teresa Keefe	87	—	—
9	John Patrick Kennedy	81	9	23
11	Frank Rivers	66	—	18
12	Patrick T. Cavanaugh	85	10	—
13	Arthur Charles French	63	7	8
14	Mary Ann Farrell	81	—	—
20	Frank D. Duffy	63	—	15
22	Andrew Papuzenski	66	1	25
22	Joseph Plante	58	11	14
23	Isabelle Campbell	73	10	19
26	Josephine Izyk	63	—	—
27	Joseph Jaworek	73	—	—
31	Albert Bigda	75	—	—
<b>February</b>				
1	Michael Misopoulos	51	—	—
4	Edwin Sharratt	77	4	1
7	George Marshall Fortune	68	10	—
13	Ernest Cyril Gay	62	11	18
13	Henry Rufus Randall	48	6	12
15	Agnes Topor	64	—	—
17	Earl William Clark	—	9	15
18	Frank Michael Foley	80	—	—
22	Julian Golas	28	—	6
<b>March</b>				
2	Thomas Francis Gormley	70	—	—
5	Mary T. Wood	89	—	—
7	Charles Frederick Gamwell	77	10	2
12	Ellen Taylor	83	1	7
18	Bridget A. Muniec	41	11	7
19	Agnes Berridge Sinclair	75	2	7
22	Ralph Budness	67	—	—

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
29	Mabel L. Fournier	52	1	16
29	Austin R. Larrabee	55	7	—
30	Royce Maynard Ashton	35	7	6
30	Grace L. Davis	72	10	1
31	William T. Nelson	85	—	—

## April

10	Joseph Kulas	56	11	26
11	John Rolenski	47	9	7
15	Dennis Edward O'Connor	73	3	9
15	Francis H. Sherman	67	7	1
22	Anna Duda	74	—	—
26	George A. Bressette	46	—	17
26	Balbina M. Popielasz	50	2	7
27	Paul Auclair	—	2	—
28	Elizabeth Henderson	68	—	—

## May

4	Sophie Gondek	42	—	—
6	Robert Pearl Barton	66	9	9
8	Genevieve Syper	38	9	4
9	Girard Patrick Burke	—	—	7 hours
15	Annette Lebel	7	10	—
17	Agnes Orluk	45	—	—
26	Luigi DeMaio	59	—	—
27	Mary Topor	66	—	—
29	Gertrude Fernley	77	—	—
31	John Kapinos	78	—	—

## June

3	Harry Ward Hamilton	65	—	17
3	Helena Gralinski	74	—	—
3	Edna May Matrow	56	—	—
4	Helen Mary Moriarty	52	3	2
5	Leopold Charron	65	3	7
8	Jennie Louise Gager	91	3	4
10	Anna Zebrowski	56	—	—
13	Paul Kulig	56	—	—
21	Margaret Ditto	72	—	—
21	Lula May Greenwood	60	—	—
25	Antonina Anna Marusinski	59	—	—

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
<b>July</b>				
6	Carolina R. Wyrobek	51	—	—
8	Raymond Frederick Brouillette	36	9	16
9	Lester William Calkins	41	—	23
18	Elizabeth Walker	70	—	7
19	Peter Anthony Cziepiel	—	1	13
20	Fred Clarence Letter	74	6	17
<b>August</b>				
3	Patrick John Ford	74	—	—
3	Anna Pluta	49	—	—
4	George Leslie Gunn	44	8	27
10	Guy William Hackett	56	10	19
<b>September</b>				
3	Mary Sullivan	73	10	12
4	Wladislaw Kulis	60	—	—
7	Raymond Garceau	5	11	12
22	Mary Dwyer	88	—	7
22	Edith Estelle Geer	80	8	15
23	Daniel John Sullivan	83	5	29
25	Delia Mary Sorel	71	8	14
<b>October</b>				
3	Theresa Johnston	77	4	24
11	Robert Baynes Tate	84	—	28
12	Valentine Dinelle	79	5	25
15	Francis Lewis Schneider	61	2	12
18	Margaret Teresa Ferriter	80	—	—
19	Ellen Hartnett	76	3	7
21	James Henry Weir	55	1	5
24	Hachedoor Mikallian	63	10	29
26	Edna Dean Carr	69	—	—
26	Sophie Cyran	43	—	—
27	Stanley John Swist	18	7	1
30	Nellie Moore	85	—	—
30	Mary E. Niederno	77	—	—
<b>November</b>				
1	Jesse Lynn Lyon	72	4	19

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
2	Catherine Brown	78	—	—
6	Eileen Luella Young	—	7	21
9	Edward S. Kos	39	6	8
13	John Szeliga	73	4	—
13	Henry Gustav Wheeler	61	2	2
14	Thomas William Cole	76	7	18
14	Minnie R. Linnehan	60	7	13
20	Maurice Francis Lawlor	71	1	3
21	Mary Viola Bradley	58	6	27
23	Joseph Lernat	62	—	—
25	Nellie A. Dowd	78	11	18

## December

1	Thomas Clark Wallace	82	8	3
3	Nellie A. Fuller	68	—	14
4	Mary Moriarty	80	—	—
4	Catherine Mary Weseliszyn	41	8	14
5	John Hussey Brosnan	91	—	—
7	Della Burnham	79	4	3
9	Harrison Tyler Allen	85	5	8
10	Ali Denk	48	6	—
11	Alice Alida Savage	85	8	28
12	Myrtle Ruth St. George	11	10	22
15	Charles E. Caron	44	—	—
16	Chester Borkowski	28	7	22
17	Marlene Chalue	5	11	14
18	Rachel McGee Chambers	60	1	21
31	Daniel T. Quirk	50	11	19

1946

## Report of Tax Collector

## Account of 1944

Outstanding January 1, 1946	\$581.32
Interest	34.50
Poll tax abated after payment	2.00
	—————
	\$617.82
Paid Treasurer	603.93
Abatements	13.89
	—————
	617.82
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## Account of 1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946	17,269.79
Additional Assessors' warrant to be collected	49.57
Interest and demands	316.33
Poll taxes abated after payment	6.00
	—————
	17,641.69
Paid Treasurer	17,395.02
Abatements	52.90
	—————
	17,447.92
Outstanding December 31, 1946	193.77

## Account of 1946

Assessors' warrants to be collected	311,790.31
Interest and demands	185.71
Poll taxes abated after payment	4.00
Personal property taxes abated after payment	183.30
Real estate taxes abated after payment	11.70
Motor vehicle excise taxes abated after payment	45.83
	312,220.85
Paid Treasurer	288,048.28
Abatements	4,452.94
Added to Tax Titles	122.85
	292,624.07
Outstanding December 31, 1946	19,596.78

## Fox Street Sidewalk

Outstanding December 31, 1946	97.74
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JOHN T. BROWN

Collector of Taxes

# Treasurer's Report

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## RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1946,	\$323,996.50
John T. Brown, Tax Collector:	
Taxes, 1944	\$ 569.43
Interest, 1944	34.50
Taxes, 1945	17,078.69
Interest and Demands, 1945	316.33
Taxes, 1946	287,862.57
Interest and Demands, 1946	185.71
Withholding Tax Deductions,	21,719.50
Sale of Tax Possessions	2,250.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Taxes, Reimbursements, etc.	193,277.81
Chapter 90, Contract No. 9776,	999.97
County of Hampden:	
Dog Refund	1,074.93
All Other Sources	38,971.39
	564,340.83
	\$888,337.33

## DISBURSEMENTS

Paid out on Selectmen's Warrants	\$508,981.36
Balance on hand December 31, 1946	379,355.97
	\$888,337.33

ROBERT L. McDONALD,

Town Treasurer

# Report of Assessors

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Palmer, The Board of Assessors, respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1946:

## Town Appropriations:

To be raised by taxation	\$425,520.69
To be taken from available funds	54,445.96
Maturing Debt & Interest	5,155.00
State Tax	6,800.00
State Parks and Reservations	348.86
State Audit	424.07
County Tax	12,783.85
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	579.09
Overlay	10,674.60
1945 County Tax Underestimate	247.45
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	\$516,979.57

## Estimated Receipts

Income Tax	\$ 28,837.86
Corporation Taxes	64,264.26
Reimbursement, State-owned land	161.78
Gasoline Tax	13,297.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	8,000.00
Licenses	7,700.00
Fines	500.00
Protection of Persons & Property	150.00
Health and Sanitation	50.00
Highways	800.00
Charities	5,000.00

Old Age Assistance	25,000.00
Old Age Tax (Meals)	1,796.18
Soldiers' Benefits	1,000.00
Schools	5,000.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	500.00
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$162,057.08
Overestimate of Previous years	
State Parks and Reservations	86.10
To be taken from available funds	54,445.96
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Total estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$216,589.14
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$300,390.43
Less 3,310 Polls at \$2.00 each	6,620.00
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Total amount to be raised by taxation on Property	\$293,770.43

Tax Rate: \$39.00 per M

#### Assessed Valuation for 1946

Personal Estate	\$1,224,100.00
Buildings, exclusive of land	4,760.965.00
Land, exclusive of buildings	1,547,510.00
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<b>Total Valuation</b>	<b>\$7,532,575.00</b>

		All	
	Individuals	Others	Total
Number of Persons assessed			
On Personal Estate	175	20	195
On Real Estate Only	2520	64	2584
On Both Personal and Real Estate	350	22	372
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			3151

## Number of Live Stock Assessed

Horses	81
Cows	578
Yearlings	125
Bulls	20
Swine	34
Sheep	2
Fowl	7035
Goats	19

Number of Acres of land assessed 18,339

Number of dwelling houses assessed 1,565

RECAPITULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE  
AND TRAILER EXCISE

Com- mitment	Date of Commitment		Number	Value	Excise
First	June	1 1946	595	\$ 55,605.00	\$ 1,976.10
Second	July	1 1946	913	94,890.00	3,331.41
Third	Sept	28 1946	686	108,790.00	3,501.68
Fourth	Nov	15 1946	255	89,190.00	1,706.11
Fifth	Dec	23 1946	129	64,350.00	852.58
<hr/> Total for 1946			2578	\$412,825.00	\$11,367.88

Excise Tax Rate: \$35.40 Per M

Abatements granted on Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1944 Levy	\$ 9.89
1945 Levy	21.35
1946 Levy	260.76

## Abatements granted on 1944 Tax Levy

Poll Tax \$ 4.00

## Abatements granted on 1945 Tax Levy

Poll Tax	\$ 26.00
Personal	3.70
Real Estate	1.85

## Abatements granted on 1946 Tax Levy

Poll Tax	\$2,328.00
Personal	387.26
Real Estate	1,476.92

Tax Title Account abatement granted	\$5,245.96
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Respectfully submitted,

DAVID B. SMITH

OSCAR F. BRESSETTE

LUDWIK MARHELEWICZ

Board of Assessors

## List of Jurors

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In accordance with Chapter 234 of General Laws, the Selectmen of the Town of Palmer have prepared the following list of inhabitants of said Town of Palmer as qualified to serve as jurors for the year beginning July 1st, 1946:

### PRECINCT A

James Rathbone	Central St., Palmer
Grover Smith	5 Fenton St., Palmer
Jas. R. Demaio	11 Maple St., Palmer
Leo H. Roberge	15 Oak St., Palmer
James J. Sullivan	25 Park St., Palmer
George Scott	Smith St., Palmer
Jas. A. Vennert	Wilbraham St., Palmer
John W. Carlson	Brown St., Palmer
John J. Kenny	Brown St., Palmer
Levi Cole	Central St., Palmer
Leslie R. Keith	Central St., Palmer
Jas. H. Mulvey	So. Main St., Palmer
Samuel J. Mullen	No. Main St., Palmer
Leo Laviolette	No. Main St., Palmer
Wm. J. Doyle	Pine St., Palmer
Wilfred L. Dupre	Park St., Palmer
Walter P. Kartz	563 No. Main St., Palmer
Robert R. Mackintosh	571 No. Main St., Palmer
Garton J. Quimby	42 Pine St., Palmer
John J. Culnane	46 Pine St., Palmer
John J. Terry	17 Church St., Palmer

Harold E. Curtin	10 Foster St., Palmer
Milton J. Wood	Pine St., Palmer
Chas. N. Marsh	68 Park St., Palmer
Grover C. Smith	5 Fenton St., Palmer
Edw. A. Delude	28 Fox St., Palmer
George R. Chaples	12 High St., Palmer
Michael J. Grimes	Pleasant St., Palmer
Geo. W. LeBlanc	19 Knox St., Palmer
Geo. F. Royce	570 No. Main St., Palmer
Henry F. Moon	40 Pleasant St., Palmer
John W. Branford	48 Walnut St., Palmer
George F. Woods	23 Walnut St., Palmer
Frank J. Jarvis	50 Squier St., Palmer
Chas. F. Evasius	4 Allen St., Palmer
Horace M. Stearns	No. Main St., Palmer
Frederick Lindstrom	No. Main St., Palmer
Edw. E. Skowyra	Converse St., Palmer
Stephen Scudder	Longview Rd., Palmer
Samuel D. Clark	Main St., Palmer

### PRECINCT B

Wm. H. St. Amand	Church St., Thorndike
Chester J. Bogacz	Church St., Thorndike
Henry J. Kosmider	Commercial St., Thorndike
Bernard R. Cantwell	Commercial St., Thorndike
Stanley Janosz	Church St., Thorndike
Carlos E. Sullivan	Summer St., Thorndike
Moise Cadieux	65 Church St., Thorndike
Wm. S. Siok	30 Church St., Thorndike
Jos. Papusenski	Main St., Thorndike
Walter Papuga	Main St., Thorndike
Wm. Karlon	Hobbs St., Thorndike
Patrick J. Nagle	Hobbs St., Thorndike
Medric Bouthillier	Main St., Thorndike
Francis Longtine	Church St., Thorndike
Alex. Matera	School St., Thorndike
John Jamrog	Pine St., Thorndike

Albert A. Cadieux  
Fred Rusiecki

Commercial St., Thorndike  
Main St., Thorndike

PRECINCT C

Harold Chamberlin	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Aime Poulin	Belanger St., Three Rivers
Harry W. Stein	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Alfred Ziegler	Baptist Hill, Three Rivers
Ernest V. Lundquist	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Antony Klekotka	Belchertown Rd., Three Rivers
Geo. J. Magoni	Belanger St., Three Rivers
Ronald Dubuque	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Stanley Wojtowicz	North St., Three Rivers
Orlin F. Rogers	Maple Ter. Three Rivers
Edw. Nadolny	Maple St., Three Rivers
Elmer A. Palin	Maple St., Three Rivers
Theo. D. Roberts	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Edw. W. Roman	Bourne St., Three Rivers
Harry M. Senecal	Bourne St., Three Rivers
Dennis J. Horgan	Main St., Three Rivers
Edw. Bachand	Springfield St., Three Rivers
Harvey P. Barber	Ruggle St., Three Rivers
Wm. Wysmutek	Monat St., Three Rivers
John Bogacz	Pleasant St., Three Rivers
Harry J. Stein	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Alcide Poitras	High St., Three Rivers
Robert Geer	High St., Three Rivers
Wilfred Dorsey	High St., Three Rivers
Walter Majka	Palmer Rd., Three Rivers
Harry Lombardi	High St., Three Rivers
Alex Hryniwicz	Bridge St., Three Rivers
Henry Jacek	Palmer Rd., Three Rivers
Dan V. Fogarty, Jr.	Pleasant St., Three Rivers

# Report of Inspector of Animals

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Palmer, Mass.

December 31, 1946

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Palmer

This report covers the period from April 1, 1946, the date of my reappointment as Inspector of Animals following my military leave of absence.

All directives issued by the Division of Livestock Disease Control have been complied with, necessary inspections completed, and the requirements of Section 19, Chapter 129 of the General Laws of Massachusetts have been complied with. Reports requested by the above mentioned department have been sent to 100 Nashua Street, Boston.

There were 75 visits made to examine, quarantine, and observe dogs known to have bitten persons and therefore suspected of having rabies. None of these dogs showed symptoms of the disease, and were released upon proper orders from the Director of Livestock Disease Control.

It might be mentioned at this time, that many of our townspeople seem to be unaware of the laws governing dog-bite cases, and as a result attempt to dispose of

their dog immediately upon learning that he has bitten a person. For general information and guidance, I hereby quote Section 3 of Department Order No. 34, which states—"All dogs known to have bitten persons shall be quarantined for a period of 14 days for observation, at the end of which period, if no symptoms of rabies have developed, said animals may be released from quarantine on order of the director."

On two occasions, shipments of cattle were received in town from other states by certificate. These animals were identified and released as ordered by the Director.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH L. MARCHELEWICZ

# Report of

## Sealer of Weights and Measures

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Palmer, Mass.

Dec. 27th 1946

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Town of Palmer, Palmer, Mass.

The Sealer presents his report:

This department has adjusted, sealed, not sealed, and condemned the following:

SCALES	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform, 10,000 lbs. or over	8	12		
Platform, 5,000 to 10,000 lbs.	6	9		
Platform, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	42	64		1
Counter, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	2	7		
Counter, under 100 lbs.	9	47		
Beam, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	2	9		1
Beam, under 100 lbs.	1	1		
Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	7	9		1
Spring, under 100 lbs.	25	45		
Computing, under 100 lbs.	12	42		
Person weighing scales (slot)	3	17		
Prescription scales		5		
 Total	<hr/> 117	<hr/> 267	<hr/> 3	<hr/> 0

## WEIGHTS

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Avoirdupois	14	503		
Apothecary		71		
Metric		29		
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Total	14	603		

## CAPACITY MEASURES

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Liquid, 1 gal. or less		54		
Liquid, 1 gal. or more		24		
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Total		78		

## AUTOMATIC MEASURING DEVICES

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Meters, G.M.S., 1 in. inlet	14	88		
Meters over 1 in. T.T.M.S.		14		
Oil Measuring Pumps		4		
Kerosene Pumps		12		2
Grease Measuring Devices		23		
Stops on Pumps		34		
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Total	14	175		2

## LINEAR MEASURES

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Yard Sticks		20		
Tapes		2		
Cloth—Measuring Devices		2		
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Total		24		

TRIAL WEIGHING AND MEASUREMENTS OF  
COMMODITIES SOLD, OR PUT UP FOR SALE

	Tested	Correct	Under	Over
Bread	482	371	22	89
Butter	210	183	18	9
Coal in Paper Bags	55	50		5
Confectionery	64	64		
Dry Commodities	916	744	162	10
Flour	117	65	49	3
Fruits and Vegetables	113	90	23	
Grain and Feeds	40	33	5	2
Hay	13	8	3	2
Ice	12	4	5	3
Lard	154	154		
Potatoes	292	95	96	101
Meats and Provisions	38	30	5	3
Cord Wood	5	4		1
Coal in transit	13	5	4	4
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Total	2524	1900	392	232

INSPECTIONS

Metal Ice Cream Containers	35
Chemical Therm.	205
Coal Certificates	14
Ice Scales	10
Junk Scales	5
Peddlers' License	19
Peddlers' Scales	14
Retest G.M.S. Meters	37
Retest Scales	46
Marking of Bread	709
Marking of Food Packages	884

Milk Cans	170
Milk Bottles	814
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Total	2962
Sealing Fees Collected	\$200.28
Paid to Town Treasurer	\$200.28
Appropriation	\$850.00
Salary	\$690.00
Expenses	155.12
	—
Balance	\$ 4.88

The foregoing comprises my annual report ending December 27, 1946.

Respectfully yours,

ALBERT A. BOISSY

2 Ruggles Court

Three Rivers, Mass.

Sealer of Weights and Measures  
for  
The Town of Palmer, Palmer, Mass.

## VETERAN'S SERVICE CENTER

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January 1, 1947

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report of activities at the Veterans' Service Center:

January 1, 1946 to January 1, 1947—

1583 in Service of this number 1293 have been discharged and 43 have died in service.

Of the number discharged, the following deaths have occurred:

4 World War II Veterans, 1 Spanish War Veteran and 6 World War I Veterans.

Contacts made at the Service Center during the year numbered 4612 covering the following requests:

- 1040 Photostatic copies made of discharge certificates and other papers.
- 745 Bonus applications filed.
- 251 Education Form 1950 filed.
- 9 Education Form 1900 filed.
- 21 Pension Form 526.
- 2 Pension Form 526b.
- 4 Pension Form 534.
- 3 Pension Form 535.
- 24 Hospitalization Form P-10.
- 8 Emergency hospitalizations.

- 9 Out-Patient Dental Applications.
- 46 Out-Patient Medical Applications.
- 14 Civil Service Inquiries and Referrals.
- 23 Job Inquiries and Referrals.
- 29 Income Tax inquiries.
- 4 Legal Advice Referrals.
- 37 Loan Referrals.
- 18 Requests for Rentals.
- 18 Priorities Inquiries and Referrals.
- 2 Maternity Care Applications.
- 9 Burial Allowance Applications filed.
- 4 Grave Marker Applications filed.
- 3 Applications for Certificate in Lieu of Lost Discharge.
- 3 Form 620—Dependents' Allotment in Service.
- 278 Insurance applications and Referrals.
- 554 Terminal Leave filed and Notary Public services.
- 31 Notary Public services other than for Terminal Leave.
- 10 Referrals to Red Cross.
- 154 Letters and Affidavits written for Veterans and Dependents.
- 109 Inquiries and Referrals to the USES.
- 291 Referrals to V. A. Contact Representative.
- 594 Telephone calls.

We have in our files photostatic copies of Discharge Certificates, Qualification Form 100, NavPers-553 and Pension awards for nearly every discharged veteran in the Town of Palmer.

At the present time 938 Discharge Certificates have been recorded in books kept for that purpose in accordance with the State Laws concerning Recording Discharges for Veterans. This work is progressing as fast as possible.

A Contact Representative of the Veterans' Administration holds regular office hours in this office each



## EXPENDITURES

Clerk	\$898.00
Janitor (Dec.)	18.50
Clerk	1,560.00
Appropriations	\$2,600.00
Expenditures	2,476.50
Balance	\$123.50
Miscellaneous Expenses:	
Telephone	\$105.69
Postage	21.00
Printing	72.44
Photo Supplies	185.76
Miscellaneous	107.95
Appropriations	\$700.00
Expenditures	492.84
Balance	\$207.16
Total Expenditures:	
Salaries	\$2,476.50
Miscellaneous	492.84
Appropriations	\$3,300.00
Expenditures	2,969.34
Balance	\$330.66

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER CONNOR, Director  
 Veterans' Service Center  
 Department of Veterans' Services

# Report of

## The Board of Public Welfare

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Palmer:

The annual report of the Board of Public Welfare for the year 1946 is hereby respectfully submitted:

Aided in this town Account of:	No. of Cases	No. of Persons	Amount
Town Infirmary	13	13	\$4,808.61
In Homes, Private families and Institutions	25	72	4,505.89
For Other Cities and Towns	4	13	111.33
For State	7	44	1,441.72
By Other Cities and Towns	5	21	2,123.47

### RECEIPTS

#### Appropriations:

Support of Poor and General Administration	\$13,500.00
Salary of Board	600.00
Salary of Agent	330.00
Salary of Town Physician	500.00
Salary of Jr. Clerk	226.00
 Total Appropriation	 \$15,156.00

Town Infirmary Receipts	286.04
	286.04

Reimbursements:

From Cities and Towns	1,606.89
From State	1,837.23
From Individuals	69.72
Total Reimbursements	3,513.84
Total Receipts	\$18,955.88
Abatements	95.16

PAYMENTS

Administration:

Salary of Board	600.00
Salary of Town Physician	491.00
Salary of Agent	330.00
Salary of Jr. Clerk	226.00
	\$ 1,647.00

Administrative Expenses:

Transportation and Travel	93.60
Postage and Telegrams	2.00
Supplies	43.90
Telephones	90.77
	230.27

Town Infirmary Expenses:

Clothing	77.26
Dental	9.00
Fuel	334.42

Grain	230.78
Household Supplies	12.58
Labor	15.00
Light	118.23
Livestock	3.00
Medical Supplies	1.25
Medicine	51.18
Papers	14.92
Plumbing and Plumbing Supplies	217.37
Provisions	1,392.69
Radio Repair	1.35
Seed and Insecticide	41.53
Shingling Roof & Repairs	570.00
Shoe Repair	.85
Spray	6.40
Supplies	79.97
Telephone	42.84
Tobacco	87.99
Salary, Warden & Matron	1,500.00
	4,808.61

Outside Poor — (Palmer Settled  
Cases Aided Direct) :

Appendectomy	50.00
Board, Private Families	440.00
Board, Private Institutions	954.19
Burials	130.00
Cash	2.00
Clothing	67.34
Fuel	83.31
Hospitals	1,437.82
Medical	10.80
Medicine	6.75
Provisions	1,138.10
Rent	173.58

Thomas Collar	12.00
	4,505.89

State Cases — (Cases Without Settlement) :

Cash	839.30
Clothing	82.48
Fuel	28.52
Hospital	65.20
Light	4.25
Medicine	84.39
Provisions	300.08
Rent	37.50
	1,441.72

For Other Cities and Towns — (Cases Settled  
in Other Cities and Towns — Aided in  
Palmer) :

Cash	3.00
Fuel	2.35
Provisions	105.98
	111.33

By Other Cities and Towns — (Palmer  
Settled Cases Aided in Other Cities  
and Towns) :

Cash	1,783.00
Clothing	44.65
Dental	22.00
Fuel	51.65
Medical	34.00
Medicine	1.31
Provisions	186.86
	2,123.47

Total Expenses	\$14,868.29
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## NET COST OF CHARITIES

Total Expenses	\$14,868.29
Less Receipts of Town Infirmary	2,389.60
Less Outstanding Bills	853.20
Less Outstanding Board	616.01
Less Reimbursements	1,340.56
Less Reimbursements from Individuals	69.72
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	5,269.09
Net Cost	\$9,599.20
Overlay from Support of Poor and General Administration	278.71
Overlay from Salary of Town Physician	9.00
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Total Overlay	\$ 287.71

**REPORT OF  
THE TOWN INFIRMARY**

## RECEIPTS

Sale of Hay	35.00
Board	2,354.60
Total Receipts	2,389.60

## Disbursements:

Paid Treasurer	286.04
Balance Paid Town Treasurer (Direct)	2,103.56
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Total Disbursements	2,389.60

## BILLS RECEIVABLE

Board	616.01
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	616.01

## INVENTORY

Furniture	\$500.00
Food & Supplies	200.00
Livestock	350.00
Hay and Grain	50.00
Wood, Coal and Lumber	50.00
Farm Implements	300.00
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Total Inventory	1,450.00

Number of Inmates Registered during the year	— 13
Largest number at one time	— 10
Number of Inmates, December 31, 1946	— 8

## NET COST OF TOWN INFIRMARY

Total Expenses	\$4,808.61
Less Receipts	2,389.60
Less Outstanding Board	616.01
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	3,005.61
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Net Cost	\$ 1,803.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN K. MCKENZIE, Chairman  
 GEORGE E. CALLAHAN  
 OSCAR LAVIOLETTE

Board of Public Welfare

By: — WILLIAM C. DALY, Agent

# Report of The Board of Public Welfare for Aid to Dependent Children

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Palmer:

The annual report of the Board of Public Welfare on Aid to Dependent Children for the year 1946 is hereby respectfully submitted:

No. of Cases	No. of Persons
14	44

## RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation — Aid and General Expenses	\$ 5,730.00
Transfer, Town Appropriation — Aid and General Expenses	550.00
Balance on hand, Federal Grant for Aid, January 1, 1946	185.04
Received during the year — Federal Grants for Aid	2,222.03
Balance on hand, Federal Grant for Administration, Jan. 1, 1946	183.48

## Received during the year, Federal

Grants for Administration	180.48
Reimbursements from State	2,549.95

Total Receipts	\$ 11,600.98
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## EXPENDITURES

Cash, from Federal Grant for Aid	\$2,150.88
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Cash, from Town Appropriation for Aid	6,000.00
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Total Cash Expenditures for Aid	\$ 8,150.88
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Administrative Expenses from Town Appropriation	280.00
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From Federal Grant for Administration	169.40
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Total Expenses	\$ 8,600.28
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Less Reimbursements from State	2,549.95
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Less Federal Grants	2,771.03
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	5,320.98
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Net Cost	\$ 3,279.30
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Balance from Federal Grant for Aid	256.19
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Balance from Federal Grant for Administration	194.56
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Total Balance	\$ 450.75
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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN K. MCKENZIE, Chairman  
GEORGE E. CALLAHAN  
OSCAR LAVIOLETTE

Board of Public Welfare  
By: — WILLIAM C. DALY, Agent

# Report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Palmer:

The Annual Report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance for the year 1946 is hereby respectfully submitted:

Number of active cases January 1, 1946	124
Applications received during the year	54
Applications approved during the year	36
Applications rejected during the year	16
Applications pending at end of year	2
Cases closed during the year (7 by death)	19
Number of active cases December 31, 1946	141
Palmer settled cases aided in other towns	11

## RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation, Aid and General Expenses	\$50,000.00
Town Appropriation, Salary of Bureau of Old Age Assistance	300.00
Refund, Town Appropriation, Aid and General Expenses	21.55

U. S. Grants for Old Age Assistance Only:	
Balance on hand, January 1, 1946	1,816.21
Received during the year	27,731.22

U. S. Grants for Old Age  
Administration Only:

Balance on hand, January 1, 1946	12.24
Received during the year	927.40
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	\$ 80,808.62

Reimbursements:

Cities and Towns	1,549.05
State	31,072.68
Meal Tax from State	2,170.59
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	34,792.32

Total Receipts	\$115,600.94
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Abatements	\$ 137.42
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PAYMENTS

Town Cases	\$53,346.04
For Other Towns and Cities	6,790.54
For State	13,546.92
By Other Cities and Towns	679.47
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Total Expenses for Aid	\$ 74,362.97
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Expended from Town Appropriation for Aid	\$47,515.30
Expended from Fed. Grant for Aid	26,847.67
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Total Expenses for Aid	\$ 74,362.97
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ADMINISTRATION

Bureau of Old Age Assistance	\$ 300.00
Administration	2,400.00
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	\$ 2,700.00

## Other Expenses:

Transportation and Travel	199.55
Postage	54.00
Supplies	65.28
Telephone	18.24
Social Service Index	20.50
	357.57
Total Administrative Expenses	\$ 3,057.57
Expended from Town Appropriation for Salary of Bureau	300.00
Expended from Town Appropriation for General Expenses	2,027.60
Expended from Federal Grant for Administration	729.97
Total Administrative Expenses	\$ 3,057.57
Total Expenses for Aid and Administration	\$ 77,420.54

## NET COST OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Total Expenses	\$ 77,420.54
Less Reimbursements from State and Other Cities and Towns	32,621.73
Less U. S. Grants	30,487.07
Less Outstanding Bills, Other Cities and Towns	846.60
Less Meal Tax from State	2,170.59
Less Town Appropriation Overlay	478.65
	66,604.64
Net Cost	\$ 10,815.90

Balance from Federal Grant for Aid	\$2,699.76
Balance from Federal Grant for Administration	205.67
Balance from Town Appropriation for Administration	478.65
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Total Balance	\$ 3,384.08

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. CALLAHAN, Chairman

JOHN K. MCKENZIE

OSCAR LAVIOLETTE

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

By: — WILLIAM C. DALY, Agent

# Report of The Board of Health

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Palmer:

The Board of Health of the Town of Palmer hereby submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

TABLE No. 1

Disease	No. of Cases
Anterior Poliomyelitis	1
Chicken Pox	12
Diphtheria	8
Dog Bite	9
Epidemic Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	2
German Measles	4
Influenza Meningitis	1
Malaria	1
Measles	69
Mumps	110
Scarlet Fever	14
Tuberculosis—Pulmonary	3
Whooping Cough	42
Encephalitis Lethargica	1

TABLE No. 2

Number of Deaths reported during 1946:

January	12
February	7
March	8
April	7
May	4
June	11
July	4
August	5
September	7
October	12
November	12
December	12
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	101

TABLE No. 3

Deaths Classified by Ages

	Total	Male	Female
Less than 1 year	6	4	2
1 - 5 years	0	0	0
5 - 10 "	2	1	1
10 - 15 "	1	0	1
15 - 20 "	0	0	0
20 - 30 "	0	0	0
30 - 40 "	3	3	0
40 - 50 "	7	4	3
50 - 60 "	13	6	7
60 - 70 "	19	12	7
70 - 80 "	30	15	15
80 - 90 "	14	7	7
90-100 "	2	1	1
Stillborn	4	1	3
	—	—	—
	101	54	47

## RECEIPTS

## Town Appropriations:

Tuberculosis, Contagious Diseases and other Expenses	\$3,500.00
Vital Statistics	500.00
Meat and Milk Inspection	550.00
Toxin-Antitoxin	100.00
Salary of Board	300.00
Salary of Clerk	220.00
 Total Town Appropriation	 \$5,170.00

## From Licenses:

Ice Cream and Frozen Desserts	\$70.00
Pasteurization of Milk	40.00
Milk	28.50
Oleomargarine	8.00
Bottling	40.00
Undertakers	6.00
Poultry Dressing	1.00
Wood Alcohol Licenses	12.00
Camp Licenses	1.50
Slaughtering License	1.00
 Total Receipts from Licenses	 \$ 208.00

## Other Receipts:

From State Subsidy	10.71
	10.71
Total Receipts	\$5,388.71

## PAYMENTS

From Tuberculosis, Contagious Diseases  
and Other Expenses:

Rutland State Sanatorium	\$598.50
Westfield State Sanatorium	168.00
Hospitals	20.00
Trans. to State Sanatoria	37.00
Anti-Rabic Vaccine	15.00
Medical	105.00
Medicine	17.08
Dental	35.00
Provisions	63.65
Posting and Removing Contagious Disease Cards	26.10
Supplies	24.95
Telephones	74.44
Express	6.13
Transportation and Expenses	59.65
Typewriting and Printing	50.00

\$1,300.50

## Vital Statistics:

Births	\$298.50
Marriages	116.00
Deaths	85.50
	\$ 500.00

Toxin Antitoxin	100.00
	\$ 100.00

## Meat and Milk Inspection:

Meat Inspection	88.50
Trans. on Meat Inspection	46.20

Milk Inspection	355.00
Trans. on Milk Inspection	45.70
Supplies	11.62
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	\$ 547.02
Salary of Board	300.00
	—————
	\$300.00
Salary of Agent and Clerk	220.00
	—————
	\$220.00
	—————
Total Payments	\$2,967.52
	—————
	NET COST
Total Expenses	\$2,967.52
Less Receipts	218.71
	—————
	\$ 218.71
	—————
Net Cost	\$2,748.81
	—————
Overlay from Tuberculosis, Contagious Diseases and General	
Expenses	\$2,199.50
Overlay from Meat and Milk Insp.	2.98
	—————
Total Town Appropriation Overlay	\$2,202.48

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JANE H. COULTER, Chairman  
WILLIAM J. BERNAT  
ALFRED R. KELLEY

Board of Health

## Report of Milk Inspector

Palmer, Mass., December 31, 1946

To the Board of Health and Citizens of Palmer:

I respectfully submit the following report on the Milk Inspection work for the year 1946.

I have granted the following Permits and Licenses:  
 Dealer's License 57 @ \$.50 \$28.50  
 Oleomargarine License 16 @ .50 8.00  
 Producers Permits (No fee) 54

Respectfully submitted,  
 ARTHUR A. RONDEAU  
 Milk Inspector

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## Report of Inspector of Slaughtering

Palmer, Mass., December 31, 1946

To the Board of Health and Citizens of Palmer:

I respectfully submit the following report relating to the Inspection of Slaughtering for the year 1946.

I have made the following inspections:

19 Hogs  
 17 Veal  
 82 Beef

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118 Inspections

Respectfully submitted,  
 ARTHUR A. RONDEAU  
 Inspector of Slaughtering

# Report of License Commissioners

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January 10, 1947

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Palmer  
Pamer, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Listed below are the number and kind of Licenses issued by the Board during the year of 1946:

Common Victualers	36
<b>All Alcoholic</b>	
Innholders	5
Common Victualer	4
Common Victualer (Seasonal)	4
Package Goods Store (Seasonal)	2
Package Goods Store	1
Drug Package Store	1
Clubs (Seasonal)	1
Druggist	3
<b>Malt Beverages and Wine</b>	
Common Victualer	6
Common Victualer (Seasonal )	1
Package Goods Store	2
One Day Permits (Beer and Wine)	8

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. KMON, Clerk

## Report of Moth Department

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Amount Appropriated	\$ 1,000.00
Transfer	300.00
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Expenditures	\$ 1,300.00
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Balance	\$ 70.90

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Having concentrated our efforts on the Gypsy Moth, we have checked this insect pest from a dreaded scourge to a local nuisance. However, we are troubled with other pests.

The Tent Caterpillar, Fall Webworm, and Elm Tree Beetle are another problem. At this date, we are in danger of losing our Elm trees due to the Dutch Elm disease which is being carried about by the Elm Tree Beetle. Present plans call for extensive spraying of the Tent Caterpillar and Web-worm. Plans are also being laid out to use the D.D.T. spray on the Elm Beetle.

By using these methods and sprays, we hope to check these pests, particularly the Elm Tree Beetle.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY J. STRZEMIENSKI

# Auditors' Report

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## TOWN'S INFIRMARY

### Receipts

Total Receipts, 1946	\$2,389.60
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Paid Town Treasurer	\$2,389.60

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

### Receipts

Fees Collected	\$200.28
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Paid Town Treasurer	\$200.28

## TOWN CLERK

### Dog Licenses

### Receipts

Fees Collected	448 @ \$2.00	\$896.00
	85 @ 5.00	425.00
	185 @ 2.00	370.00
	2 @ 10.00	20.00
	1 @ 50.00	50.00
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		\$1,761.00

### Expenditures

Paid Town Treasurer	\$1,616.80
Paid John T. Brown	144.20
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	\$1,761.00

## TAX COLLECTOR

## Account of 1944

Outstanding January 1, 1946	\$581.32
Interest	34.50
Poll tax abated after payment	2.00
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	\$617.82
Paid Treasurer	603.93
Abatements	13.89
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	617.82
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## Account of 1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946	17,269.79
Additional Assessors' warrant to be collected	49.57
Interest and demands	316.33
Poll taxes abated after payment	6.00
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	17,641.69
Paid Treasurer	17,395.02
Abatements	52.90
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	17,447.92
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Outstanding December 31, 1946	193.77

## Account of 1946

Assessors' warrants to be collected	311,790.31
Interest and demands	185.71
Poll taxes abated after payment	4.00
Personal property taxes abated after payment	183.30

Real estate taxes	
abated after payment	11.70
Motor vehicle excise taxes	
abated after payment	45.83
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	312,220.85
Paid Treasurer	288,048.28
Abatements	4,452.94
Added to Tax Titles	122.85
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	292,624.07
Outstanding December 31, 1946	19,596.78

### Fox Street Sidewalk

Outstanding December 31, 1946	97.74
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### TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS

#### RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1946,	\$323,996.50
John T. Brown, Tax Collector:	
Taxes, 1944	\$ 569.43
Interest, 1944	34.50
Taxes, 1945	17,078.69
Interest and Demands, 1945	316.33
Taxes, 1946	287,862.57
Interest and Demands, 1946	185.71
Withholding Tax Deductions,	21,719.50
Sale of Tax Possessions	2,250.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Taxes, Reimbursements, etc.	193,277.81
Chapter 90, Contract No. 9776,	999.97
County of Hampden:	
Dog Refund	1,074.93

All Other Sources	38,971.39
	564,340.83
	\$888,337.33

### DISBURSEMENTS

Paid out on Selectmen's Warrants	\$508,981.36
Balance on hand December 31, 1946	379,355.97
	\$888,337.33

### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' ACCOUNTS

#### Receipts

Appropriation	\$8,000.00
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#### Expenditures

Expenditures as per books	\$7,442.95
Balance, December 31, 1946	557.05
	\$8,000.00

### Care of Cemeteries

#### Receipts

From Perpetual Care Funds	\$ 899.34
For Soldiers Graves	196.00
All Other Sources	2,417.62
	\$3,512.96

#### Expenditures

Paid Town Treasurer	\$3,512.96
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## Perpetual Care Funds

## Receipts

Balance, December 31, 1945	\$44,891.96
New Funds Received during the year	2,700.00
Interest, 1946	899.34
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	\$48,491.30

## Expenditures

Care of Lots	\$ 899.34
Balance, December 31, 1946	47,591.96
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	\$48,491.30

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN F. DAVIS

GARTON J. QUIMBY

CLARENCE A. CARRINGTON

Auditors

## Report of Young Men's Library Association

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### Circulation for the year of 1946

Main Library, Palmer	22,387
Bondsville	9,362
Three Rivers	6,710
Thorndike	5,672
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	44,131

The return of 1200 young men and women who entered the army, navy, air forces and their auxiliary services in World War II and their adjustment to civilian life and the change which this has made for all our citizens in their vocations and way of life gives little opportunity to measure future financial needs. We endeavor to supply, as far as our funds permit, the needs of our citizens for books of fiction, non-fiction, history, both for adults and children, as well as up-to-date books covering the wide field of vocations in which our citizens are now or hope to be engaged, and which we feel sure will assist all those who are seeking to improve their knowledge and worth to themselves and the community. We sincerely wish our facilities to be made use of by our citizens and will greatly appreciate their suggestions, not only as to books they would like us to purchase, but also toward the improvement of our service. We believe that with this help and our present facilities we may be of still greater use to our people, our schools and our industries.

We receive at times from public-minded citizens donations which our trustees invest as a trust fund in the name of the donor, the income only to be used for the purchase of books or for library expenses. The total of these funds is growing slowly, but the income in recent years has been low, as the funds are deposited in Massachusetts savings banks and the rates of interest have been greatly reduced during the war years. We hope our citizens who are able and wish to help will establish such funds with the assurance that whether large or small they will assist all those who now reside in Palmer and all future residents as well. Such trust funds may be small in amount at first, but may be added to at the will of the donor.

We are in need of new stacks for the proper handling of our books, and when the opportunity for their purchase again arrives we expect to install them in the available space in the stack room of the library, to give much better access to our books by all who use them.

It has become necessary to increase the amounts we have been paying for the services of our assistant librarians, two in the main library at Palmer, and one each at our branches in the three villages. For the janitor in the Library building, who attends to our heating, takes care of the walks and grounds as well as the daily care of the library rooms and necessary minor repairs, we find it necessary to increase the amount paid for this service.

The rate of income for trust funds has declined from 4% to about 2% during the war years, and if we are to continue to purchase new books, magazines and papers for our borrowers, who now number 2935 of our citizens, we find it necessary to request an appropriation of \$4,000 for 1947.

CHARLES L. WAID, Librarian

## YOUNG MEN'S LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

## Treasurer's Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1946

## Receipts

Balance, Jan. 1, 1946	\$ 134.76
Town of Palmer, Appropriation	3,500.00
Interest on Invested Funds	1,486.76
Fines and miscellaneous	299.63
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	\$5,421.15

## Disbursements

Salaries and Services	\$ 3,456.92
Books and Magazines	1,165.69
Light, Heat and Telephone	552.94
Supplies and Repairs	99.43
Insurance premiums and miscellaneous	46.34
Balance, Dec. 31, 1946	99.83
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	\$5,421.15

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN F. DAVIS,

Treasurer

The accounts of the Treasurer have been audited and approved by me this 15th day of January, 1947.

FREEMAN A. SMITH,  
Auditor

# Report of Park Commissioners

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To the Selectmen and Citizens of Palmer:

The Park Commissioners herewith present their report for the year ending December 31, 1946:

Throughout the year people of all parts of the town, in steadily increasing numbers have made use of the town's parks and enjoyed the limited facilities which we have been able to provide. Attendance at Legion Field for baseball, softball and football games this year was well in excess of 150,000, and while no detailed figures are available to show the attendance at Eager Play-ground and at Burleigh Park, the total is undoubtedly much higher than in previous years.

Legion Field, which is the envy of all the out-of-town groups who visit it, has been maintained and in many ways improved. A considerable amount of work was necessary in the early Spring to repair the damage to the turf resulting from the previous football season and a similar amount will be required this year to maintain the field in good condition. The Commissioners also plan to relocate the Number 2 diamond, making it usable for either baseball or softball, in order to avoid some of the conflicts which arose last season with only one regular baseball diamond available. For the first time since the beginning of the war the second series of tennis

courts was made ready for play, and all six courts will be in use in 1947. One court is being resurfaced with a new type of clay, which is expected to prove more satisfactory. Resurfacing of the others will follow if the first works out well.

The skating rinks have again proved very popular and have been in constant use since before the Christmas vacation. Both courts were flooded this year, and have drawn skaters from all over the town. The Commissioners express their thanks to Merrill L. Simonds post, American Legion, for the loan of the floodlights at the rink.

Eager Playground also has provided a safe play area for more of the children of the town than ever before. The present equipment has been extensively used and has been maintained in good condition. A children's merry-go-round, purchased last year, arrived too late to be set up in 1946, but will be erected at the playground as early in 1947 as weather conditions permit.

Burleigh Park has been extensively developed during the year. A new concrete dam and spillway has been built, forming a large swimming pool which was maintained all summer at a safe depth. One side of the pool was graded to form a beach, and the constant flow of Burleigh Brook assures clean water. The pool has proved very popular, and as Burleigh Park is easily reached from all the four villages, it is expected that the coming season will bring children and their parents there in still greater numbers in 1947. A caretaker was employed at Burleigh Park during the summer season and a considerable area, which had become grown over with brush and weeds, was reclaimed. The Commissioners plan to continue the reclamation and development of Burleigh Park as rapidly as available funds will allow.

The Commissioners again wish to express their appreciation of the ability and faithful service of our caretaker, Carmine Russo, and the cooperation of the townspeople, which has been excellent throughout the year.

Appropriation	\$4,000.00
Transfer	450.00
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	\$4,450.00

### Expenditures

#### LEGION FIELD AND EAGER PLAYGROUND

Labor	\$1,982.00
Truck and Equipment Hire	96.00
Water Meter	38.75
Water Rent	25.95
Tennis Court Tapes	25.50
Fertilizer	29.22
Home Plate	10.00
Pitcher's Mound	7.00
Batting Cage	147.21
Merry-Go-Round	81.17
Lime	15.45
Park Benches	26.00
Lumber & Nails	8.90
Lights	24.50
Gasoline & Oil	19.81
Paints & Oils	20.15
Grass Seed	5.00
Weed Killer	21.50
Power Mower Repairs	35.99
Hoes & Rakes	4.00
Clerical Services	25.00
All Others	7.69
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	\$2,656.79

## BURLEIGH PARK

Labor	\$1,412.48
Truck & Equipment Hire	164.93
Cement	96.57
Stone	23.38
Sand	11.55
Lumber & Nails	28.38
Concrete	44.54
Gravel	6.72
All Others	4.44
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	\$1,792.99
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Balance	\$4,449.78
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	\$4,450.00

## Legion Field Receipts:

Rentals of baseball and football fields      \$120.

ALLEN F. DAVIS

JAMES J. KANE

LADISLAS LAVIOLETTE

STANLEY G. WILK

Park Commissioners

# Cemetery Commissioners' Report

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Appropriations: \$8,000.00

Expenditures:

Secretary	\$ 150.00
Auto hire	150.00
Labor	5,896.89
Gravel and loam	216.40
Markers	48.00
Tools and Equipment	316.18
Trucks	389.00
Gas and Oil	32.35
Repairs	81.00
All Others	163.13
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	\$7,442.95
Balance, December 31, 1946	557.05
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	\$8,000.00

Receipts:

Sale of Lots	\$ 365.00
Care of Lots	1,567.04
Grading of Lots	347.05
Opening Graves	905.00
Foundations	328.87
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	\$3,512.96
Paid Town Treasurer	\$3,512.96

## PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

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Balance, December 31, 1945 (329 Funds)	\$44,891.96
Added during 1946, (14 Funds)	2,700.00
Balance, December 31, 1946, (343 Funds)	\$47,591.96

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Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS J. BRAINERD

ROBERT E. FAULKNER

LESLIE R. KEITH

Cemetery Commissioners

# Report of Town Bookkeeper

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of Receipts and Expenditures for the Town of Palmer for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1946.

## RECEIPTS

### Taxes for Current Year

Poll	\$ 4,266.00
Personal	43,841.66
Real Estate	229,657.52
Motor Vehicle Excise	10,153.07
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	\$287,918.25

### Taxes for Previous Years

Poll	26.00
Personal	337.74
Real Estate	16,818.02
Motor Vehicle Excise	410.68
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	\$ 17,592.44

**Taxes from State**

Income	41,281.30
Corporation	68,461.15
Meal Tax, Old Age Assistance	2,170.59
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	\$111,913.04

**Tax Title Redemptions**

Tax Title No. 96	36.00
Tax Title No. 100	27.87
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	\$ 63.87

**Sale of Tax Possessions**

Sale Price, Tax Title No. 5 C	25.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 5 A	75.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 5 B	75.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 91	25.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 26	100.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 85	150.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 54	550.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 95	30.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 18	50.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 39	100.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 17	50.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 37	120.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 86	800.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 38	100.00
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	\$ 2,250.00

**Fines and Forfeits**

Court Fines	1,180.20
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	\$ 1,180.20

**Withholding Tax**

Amount withheld during 1946	21,719.50
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	\$21,719.50

**Blue Cross and Blue Shield**

Amount withheld during 1946	841.30
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	\$ 841.30

**Licenses and Permits**

Bicycle Registrations	20.00
Pedlars	45.00
Garage and Agents	40.00
Sunday	56.00
Pool and Bowling	24.00
Auctioneers	13.00
Junk Licenses and Privileges	204.00
Firearms	5.00
Dog	1,616.80
Inn Holders	1,525.00
Common Victualers	2,407.00
Club	1,500.00
Package	1,100.00
Drug	350.00
One Day	8.00
Seasonal	800.00
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	\$ 9,713.80

**Grants and Gifts**

From County — Dog Licenses	1,074.93
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	\$ 1,074.93

## From Federal Government for: —

Old Age Assistance	27,731.22
Old Age Administration	927.40
Dependent Children — Aid	2,222.03
Dependent Children — Adm.	180.48
Vocational Schools	3,734.56
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	\$34,795.69

## From State:—

Highways	13,297.00
State Wards	3,748.84
Training Schools	462.77
English Speaking Classes	542.00
	—————
	\$18,050.61

## General Government

Selectmen	965.82
Rent of Tax Possessions	18.00
Rent of Town House	163.00
Settlement of Fire Loss	207.94
	—————
	\$ 1,354.76

## Protection of Persons and Property

Sealing Fees	200.28
	—————
	\$ 200.28

## Health Department

## Licenses for: —

Alcohol	12.00
Slaughtering and Poultry Dressing	2.00

Ice Cream and Frozen Desserts	70.00
Pasteurization	40.00
Milk and Oleo.	36.50
Undertakers	6.00
Bottling	40.00
Overnight Cabins	1.50
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	\$ 208.00

### Highway Department

Sewer Connections	600.00
Equipment	403.87
Manhole Covers	59.70
Sewer Pipe	1.62
Loading Gravel	4.00
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	\$ 1,069.19

### Chapter 90, Maintenance

State	999.97
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	\$ 999.97

### Public Welfare

#### Infirmary:

Board	\$ 251.04
Sale of Hay	35.00
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	\$ 286.04

#### Reimbursement for Aid Rendered:

State	\$ 2,020.30
Cities and Towns	1,814.63
Individuals	31.53
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	\$ 3,866.46

**Aid to Dependent Children**

Reimbursement for Aid Rendered:

State	\$ 2,549.95
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	\$ 2,549.95

**Old Age Assistance**

Reimbursement for Aid Rendered:

State	\$ 31,185.98
Cities and Towns	1,044.94
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	\$ 32,230.92

**Board of Health**

Reimbursement:

State	\$ 10.71
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	\$ 10.71

**Veterans Aid and Pensions**

Burials	\$ 300.00
State Aid	60.00
Military Aid	320.00
World War 2 Allowance	705.00
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	\$ 1,385.00

**Park Dept.**

Rental of Legion Field	\$ 120.00
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	\$ 120.00

**Education**

## Tuition:

State Wards	\$ 2,829.87
Town of Wilbraham	890.00
Individuals	195.00
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	\$ 3,914.87

## Sundry Receipts:

Rent	\$ 286.65
Sale of Mdse.	91.78
Tel. Toll Calls	11.25
Luncheon Acct.	2.00
Transportation of State Wards	18.24
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	\$ 409.92

**Interest**

## On Taxes:

Interest	\$ 482.29
Demands	54.25
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	\$ 536.54

## On Public Trust Funds:

Cem. Perp. Care Funds	\$ 899.34
Thompson Fund	19.02
Merrick Fund	17.00
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	\$ 935.36

**Excess and Deficiency**

Default on Payment of Tax Possession \$25.00

\$ 25.00

**Agency and Trust**

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds \$ 2,700.00

\$ 2,700.00

**Cemeteries**

Sale of Lots	\$ 365.00
Care of Lots	1,371.04
Grading Lots	347.05
Opening Graves	1,101.00
Foundations	328.87
	\$ 3,512.96

**Refunds**

Loss of Taxes	\$ 161.78
Forest Fires	342.00
General Depts.	407.49
	\$ 911.27

Total Receipts \$564,340.83

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1946	\$323,996.50
	\$888,337.33

## PAYMENTS

### General Government

#### Selectmen's Dept.

Salaries of Board	\$1,600.00
Stationery and Postage	11.00
Printing and Advertising	360.76
Carfares, Auto hire, etc.	212.78
Telephones	157.86
Auctioneer	26.00
Office Supplies and Equipment	152.59
Sundry Items	57.15
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	\$ 2,578.14

#### Selectmen's Contingent Account:

Spotlight	\$ 30.87
Outside Fires	1,710.87
Finance Committee	60.45
Printing and Advertising	39.07
Repairs — Memorial Hall Kitchen	54.65
Purchase of OCD Equipment	1,000.00
Work on Honor Roll	103.00
No Parking signs	82.00
Layout — Wilson St. "C"	85.00
Sundry Items	268.09
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	\$ 3,434.00

#### Town offices:

Rent	\$1,475.00
Janitor	360.00
Lights	109.44
Sundry Items	1.62
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	\$ 1,946.06

## Auditing and Accounting:

Auditing	\$ 90.00
Accounting	1,863.89
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	\$ 1,953.89

## Treasurer's Dept:

Salary	\$2,220.00
Clerical Hire	325.00
Surety Bond	190.00
Stationery and Postage	193.66
Printing and Advertising	36.51
Supplies and Equipment	197.60
Carfare, etc.	39.55
Telephone	17.36
Sundry Items	18.09
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	\$ 3,237.77

## Town Clerk's Dept:

Salary	\$615.00
Surety Bond	5.00
Stationery and Postage	46.99
Printing and Advertising	9.50
Telephone	40.33
Sundry Items	23.16
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	\$ 739.98

## Election and Registration:

Registrars	\$ 200.00
Election Officers	1,048.60
Stationery and Postage	11.72
Printing and Advertising	640.61
Carfares, etc.	46.50

Listing names	397.40
Sundry Items	111.97
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	\$ 2,456.80

## Collector's department:

Salary for 1946	\$1,710.00
Salary Previous Years	190.00
Clerk	1,196.00
Stationery and Postage	281.42
Printing and Advertising	109.84
Travel Expense	28.54
Surety Bonds	316.00
Supplies	88.10
Clerical	114.85
Telephone	29.52
Sundry Items	14.77
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	\$ 4,079.04

## Assessor's Dept:

Salaries	\$2,400.00
Clerk	1,544.40
Supplies and Equipment	260.53
Stationery and Postage	11.04
Printing and Advertising	63.70
Carfaaes, Auto Hire, etc.	368.67
Telephone	39.60
Book Binding	120.00
Work on Transfers	69.00
Sundry Items	67.46
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	\$ 4,944.40

## Law and Claim:

Town Counsel	\$600.00
Special Attorney	474.88

Agent	260.00
Sundry Items	12.35
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	\$ 1,347.23

## License Commission:

Telephone	\$ 19.50
Transportation	29.60
Postage	4.65
Sundry Items	15.50
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	\$ 69.25

## Town House:

Janitor	\$ 20.00
Fuel	85.00
Lights	16.55
Supplies and Repairs	128.00
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	\$ 249.55

## Town Dump:

Care	\$780.00
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	\$ 780.00

## Planning Board:

Expense	\$ 8.10
Membership Dues	10.00
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	\$ 18.10

## Estimated Receipts:

One-half of Bottling Permits to State	\$20.00
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	\$ 20.00
Total for General Government	\$ 27,854.21

### Protection of Persons and Property

#### Police Department:

Chief	\$ 3,300.00
Deputy Chief	2,640.00
Day Patrol	2,640.00
Night Patrol	3,900.24
Special Police	4,720.69
Chief's transportation	700.00
Extra Car Hire	124.50
Telephones and Toll Calls	206.45
Equipment for Men	15.00
Sundry Items	38.10
	—————
	\$ 18,284.98

#### Chief's Office:

Rent	\$ 240.00
Telephones	32.04
Supplies	10.10
Sundry Items	9.79
	—————
	\$ 291.93

#### Lockup:

Rent	\$1,250.00
Care	240.00
Lights	48.03
Telephone	36.00
Supplies, Repairs, etc.	66.01
	—————
	\$ 1,640.04

#### Tree Dept:

Labor	\$1,993.45
Trucks	276.00

Equipment	20.30
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	\$ 2,289.75

Forest Fire Dept:

Salary of Warden	\$300.00
Fighting Fires	1,214.00
Telephones	21.96
New Hose	150.38
Transportation	4.72
Equipment and Repairs	15.95
Gas and Oil	33.73
Sundry Items	16.94
	_____
	\$ 1,757.68

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary	\$690.00
Transportation	99.96
Telephone	21.96
Equipment and Supplies	33.20
	_____
	\$ 845.12

Moth Department:

Labor	\$865.60
Spraying Trees	300.00
Car Hire	41.00
Sundry Items	22.50
	_____
	\$ 1,229.10

Total for Protection of Persons and Property \$26,338.60

**Health Department**

General Administration:

Salary of Board	\$300.00
Salary of Clerk	220.00

Stationery, Postage and Supplies	12.21
Printing and Advertising	12.74
Telephone	74.44
Sundry Items	134.63
	—————
	\$ 754.02

Quarantine and Contagious Diseases:

Medical and Hospital Care	\$192.08
Groceries and Provisions	63.65
Sundry Items	44.25
	—————
	\$ 299.98

Tuberculosis:

Westfield State Sanitarium	\$168.00
Rutland State Sanitarium	598.50
Hampden County Tuberculosis Hospital	579.09
	—————
	\$ 1,345.59

Meat and Milk Inspection:

Meat	\$134.70
Milk	412.32
	—————
	\$ 547.02

Toxin-Antitoxin	\$100.00
	—————
	\$ 100.00

District Nurse	\$1,000.00
	—————
	\$ 1,000.00

## Vital Statistics:

Births	\$298.50
Deaths	85.50
Marriages	116.00
	—————
	\$ 500.00
Total for Health	\$ 4,546.61

## Highway Department

## General Repairs:

Superintendent	\$1,170.00
Clerk	360.00
Office Expenses	12.97
Labor	10,962.85
Stone, Gravel, etc.	80.14
Equipment and Repairs	3,887.69
Gas and Oil	538.91
Road Oil	789.08
Lights	143.45
Telephone	141.67
Coal	289.23
Sundry Items	119.84
	—————
	\$ 18,495.83

## Sidewalks and Curbing:

Superintendent	\$275.00
Labor	1,814.35
Cement	376.82
Gas and Oil	35.01
Colprovia, etc.	471.64
Sundry Items	26.46
	—————
	\$ 2,999.28

## Snow Removal:

Superintendent	\$475.00
Labor	4,158.75
Trucks	241.75
Tools, Equipment and Repairs	1,865.75
Gas and Oil	426.55
Salt and Sand	982.99
Sundry Items	210.39
	_____
	\$ 8,361.18

## Oiling Roads:

Superintendent	\$285.00
Labor	2,012.20
Equipment and Repairs	123.40
Grits and Sand	195.75
Gas and Oil	29.13
Road Oil	3,353.93
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	\$ 5,999.41

## Sewers and Culverts:

Superintendent	\$260.00
Labor	1,979.30
Supplies and Equipment	174.63
Gas and Oil	48.24
Sundry Items	36.43
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	\$ 2,498.60

## Chapter 90:

Superintendent	\$235.00
Labor	1,854.90
Sand	259.00
Road Oil	651.01
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	\$ 2,999.91

Purchase of New Trucks	\$3,026.75
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	\$ 3,026.75

Sewer—South Main Street:

Superintendent	\$60.00
Labor	397.60
Supplies and Equipment	899.87
Cement	4.86
Gas and Oil	12.98
Excavation	524.00
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	\$ 1,899.31

Sewer—Shearer Street:

Superintendent	\$15.00
Labor	271.90
Equipment and Supplies	157.41
Gas and Oil	3.58
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	\$ 447.89

Main Street—“D”:

Superintendent	\$60.00
Labor	441.80
Road Oil and Gravel	887.87
Trucks	9.00
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	\$ 1,399.67

Baptist Hill:

Superintendent	\$40.00
Labor	582.40
Oil	478.97
Equipment and Repairs	85.96
Sundry Items	12.50
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	\$ 1,199.83

## Stewart, Crest and Mills Streets—"D":

Superintendent	\$150.00
Labor	1,238.95
Equipment and Repairs	83.40
Oil, Sand, etc.	412.05
Sundry Items	12.50
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	\$ 1,896.90

## Pine Street—"D":

Superintendent	\$45.00
Labor	266.30
Repairs	14.00
Oil, Sand, etc.	46.72
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	\$ 372.02

## Church and Center Streets—"B":

Superintendent	\$25.00
Labor	129.65
Supplies	4.00
Sand and Gravel	1.26
Gas and Oil	1.98
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	\$ 161.89

## Squier Street—"A":

Superintendent	\$10.00
Labor	91.50
Cement	38.25
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	\$ 139.75

Snow Loader	\$6,500.00
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	\$ 6,500.00
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## Memorial Plots:

Labor	\$725.00
Equipment and Repairs	42.30
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	\$ 767.30

## Street Lighting:

Per Contract	\$11,731.44
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	\$ 11,731.44
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Total for Highways	\$ 70,896.96

## Support of Poor

## General Administration:

Salary of Board	\$600.00
Salary of Secretary	330.00
Salary of Town Physician	491.00
Salary of Clerk	226.00
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	\$ 1,647.00

## Town Infirmary:

Salary of Warden	\$1,500.00
Groceries and Provisions	1,438.52
Light and Fuel	452.65
Telephone	39.27
Seed and Grain	227.97
Medicine and Medical Attendance	61.43
Clothing	77.26
Repairs to Buildings	678.33
Sundry Items	333.18
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	\$ 4,808.61

## Outside Poor:

Clothing	\$130.25
Groceries and Provisions	1,436.38
Coal and Wood	137.31
Board and Care	1,394.19
Hospital and Medical Attendance	1,520.68
Rent	173.58
Telephone	75.56
Administration Expenses	149.71
Sundry Items	143.00
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	\$ 5,160.66

Aid for State	\$1,405.22
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	\$ 1,405.22
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## Aid by Other Cities and Towns:

Cities	\$665.00
Towns	1,172.00
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	\$ 1,837.00

Aid for Other Cities and Towns	\$ 9.80
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	\$ 9.80
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Total for Support of Poor	\$ 14,868.29
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## Soldiers' Benefits

## Soldier's Relief:

Agent	\$1,560.00
Cash	2,873.00
Light and Fuel	511.89
Groceries and Provisions	1,849.92
Rent	1,466.00

Hospital, Medical and Medical Attendance	2,508.54
Clothing	93.61
Postage	6.00
Administrative Expense	33.07
Sundry Items	78.23
	—————
	\$ 10,980.26
State Aid	\$694.50
Military Aid	1,320.00
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	\$ 2,014.50
Total for Soldier's Benefits	\$ 12,994.76

### Old Age Assistance

#### General Administration:

Salary of Board	\$300.00
Salary of Secretary	1,500.00
Salary of Clerk	900.00
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	\$ 2,700.00

#### Assistance:

Cash	\$52,678.73
For Other Cities and Towns	6,790.54
By Other Cities and Towns	679.47
For State	13,546.92
Indirect Payments	667.31
Telephone	13.51
Sundry Items	348.06
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	\$ 74,724.54

Total for Old Age Assistance	\$ 77,424.54
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### Aid to Dependent Children

#### General Administration:

Salary of Secretary	\$330.00
Salary of Clerk	60.00
	\$ 390.00

#### Assistance:

Cash	\$8,150.88
Equipment and Supplies	29.05
Transportation	8.00
Sundry Items	22.35
	\$ 8,210.28

Total for Aid to Dependent Children \$ 8,600.28

#### Veteran's Service Center:

Clerks	\$2,458.00
Telephone	105.69
Postage	21.00
Supplies	243.71
Printing	72.44
Sundry Items	68.50
	\$ 2,969.34

### Education

#### General Administration:

Superintendent	\$5,299.92
Clerks	3,199.91
Truant Officers	200.00
Printing, Stationery and Postage	129.26
Telephone	392.60

Traveling Expenses	189.55
Sundry Items	15.44
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\$ 9,426.68	
Teachers' Salaries:	
High	\$38,104.56
Elementary	56,732.28
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	\$ 94,836.84
Textbooks and Supplies:	
High	\$2,906.55
Elementary	2,319.74
	—————
	\$ 5,226.29
Transportation:	
High	\$5,750.00
Elementary	6,139.10
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	\$ 11,889.10
Janitor Service:	
High	\$4,125.86
Elementary	10,387.09
	—————
	\$ 14,512.95
Fuel and Light:	
High	\$3,958.01
Elementary	3,698.58
	—————
	\$ 7,656.59
Maintenance of Building and Grounds:	
High	\$1,282.52
Elementary	1,974.75
	—————
	\$ 3,257.27

## Furniture and Furnishings:

High	\$175.72
	\$ 175.72

## Other Expenses:

Nurse and Physician	\$3,399.92
Diplomas and Graduation Exercises	109.35
Miscellaneous Printing	195.25
Insurance	1,302.45
Sundry Items	1,271.87
	\$ 6,278.84

## Adult Alien:

Salaries	\$859.60
Janitors	120.00
Sundry Items	10.51
	\$ 990.11

## Trade School:

Tuition	\$1,909.77
	\$ 1,909.77

## Commercial:

Salaries	\$6,698.00
Textbooks	38.71
Supplies and Equipment	534.76
Sundry Items	40.70
	\$ 7,312.17

## Music, Manual Training and Drawing:

Salaries	\$5,505.52
Equipment and Supplies	20.27
Books	225.01
	\$ 5,750.80

## Repairs:

High	\$1,387.97
Elementary	1,896.83
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	\$ 3,284.80

## Heating System—Three Rivers Grammar:

Per Contract	\$2,056.03
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	\$ 2,056.03

Elimination of Fire Hazards—Three Rivers,  
Thorndike and Park Street Schools:

Per Contract	\$9,226.00
Insurance	93.71
	—————
	\$ 9,319.71

## Insulation—Three Rivers Grammar:

Per Contract	\$700.00
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	\$ 700.00

## Smith-Hughes Fund:

Salaries	\$581.64
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	\$ 581.64

Total for Education	\$185,165.31
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## Young Men's Library Association

Per Agreement	\$3,500.00
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	\$ 3,500.00

Legion Field, Eager Playground and  
Burleigh Park:

Labor	\$2,523.40
Trucks	63.60

Lights	24.50
Water	64.70
Repairs, Supplies and Equipment	454.02
Gas and Oil	23.11
Tree Work	401.00
Burleigh Dam	894.85
Sundry Items	.60
	—————
	\$ 4,449.78

Civilian Defense:

Salary	\$1,140.00
Janitor	275.00
Telephone	85.49
Postage and Supplies	15.91
Travel Expense	8.05
	—————
	\$ 1,524.45

Cemetery Department

Care and Maintenance:

Secretary	\$150.00
Auto Hire	150.00
Labor	5,896.89
Gravel and Loam	216.40
Markers	48.00
Tools and Equipment	316.18
Trucks	389.00
Gas and Oil	32.35
Repairs	81.00
Sundry Items	163.13
	—————
	\$ 7,442.95

Neglected Graves:

Care and Maintenance	\$292.00
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	\$ 292.00

## Refunds:

On Poll Taxes	\$12.00
On Real Estate Taxes	195.00
On M. V. Excise Taxes	45.83
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	\$ 252.83

## Municipal Indebtedness:

Wire Mill School Loan	\$2,000.00
Municipal Relief Loan	3,000.00
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	\$ 5,000.00

## Interest

## On Maturing Debt:

Wire Mill School Loan	\$80.00
Municipal Relief Loan	75.00
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	\$ 155.00

## On Trust Funds:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$899.34
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	\$ 899.34
Total for Interest	\$ 1,054.34

## Agency and Trust

## Withholding Tax:

Deductions	\$21,935.65
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## Blue Cross and Blue Shield:

Deductions	897.25
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## Agency:

State Tax	6,800.00
County Tax	12,998.80

Dog Licenses for County	1,626.40
State Parks and Reservations	558.18
State Audit	424.07
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	\$ 22,407.45

## Trust:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$2,700.00
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Total for Agency and Trust	\$ 25,107.45
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## Unclassified

Wing Memorial Hospital	\$244.68
County Aid to Agriculture	25.00
Printing Town Reports	708.40
General Insurance	1,412.22
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	1,171.97
Animal Inspection	300.00
Memorial Day	399.40
Memorial Hall Repairs	1,388.09
Town Engineers	50.00
Edw. T. Goodreau Post	166.00
	—————
	\$ 5,865.76

Grand Total	508,981.36
Cash on Hand December 31, 1946	379,355.97
	—————
	\$888,337.33

## Non-Revenue Accounts

## Trust Funds:

Cash and Securities	\$48,794.28
Thompson Fund	\$ 951.28

Merrick Fund	850.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	46,993.00
	\$48,794.28
	\$48,794.28

Net Funded Debt	\$3,000.00
Municipal Relief Loan	\$3,000.00
	\$3,000.00
	\$3,000.00

FRANCIS J. LYNCH

Bookkeeper

## BALANCE SHEET FOR 1946

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Selectmen's Salary Acct.	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	
" General Expenses	980.00	978.14	\$ 1.86
" Contingent	5,000.00	3,434.00	1,571.00
Auditing for 1946	180.00	90.00	90.00
Accounting	1,980.00	1,863.89	116.11
Assessor's Salary	2,400.00	2,400.00	
" Clerk	1,544.40	1,544.40	
" General Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Town Clerk's Salary	615.00	615.00	
Town Clerk's Expenses	125.00	124.98	.02
Town Clerk's Binding			
Records	50.00		50.00
Collector's Salary —			
Previous Years	570.00	190.00	380.00
1946	1,900.00	1,710.00	190.00
Collector's Clerk	1,196.00	1,196.00	
" Bond and Other			
Expenses	895.00	868.19	26.81
" Clerical Hire	175.00	114.85	60.15
Treasurer's Salary	2,220.00	2,220.00	
" Clerical Hire	400.00	325.00	75.00
" Bond and Other			
Expenses	700.00	692.77	7.23
Tax Title Foreclosures	35.00		35.00
Election and Registration	2,500.00	2,456.80	43.20
Law and Claim	1,500.00	1,347.23	152.77
License Commissioners	150.00	69.25	80.75
Town Offices	1,966.00	1,946.06	19.94
Town House	275.00	249.55	25.45
Town Dump	780.00	780.00	
Chief of Police	3,300.00	3,300.00	

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Deputy Chief	2,640.00	2,640.00	
Day Patrol	2,640.00	2,640.00	
Additional Day Patrol	2,000.00		2,000.00
Night Patrol	3,900.24	3,900.24	
Special Police	4,980.00	4,720.69	259.31
Chief's Office	336.00	272.04	63.96
Lockup, Care, Rent, Fuel	1,630.00	1,570.59	59.41
Chief's Transportation	700.00	700.00	
Car Hire	150.00	124.50	25.50
Motorcycle Upkeep	200.00		200.00
Bicycle Registrations	25.00		25.00
Police Other Expenses	350.00	348.89	1.11
Forest Fires	2,000.00	1,757.68	242.32
Moth Dept.	1,300.00	1,229.10	70.90
Tree Dept.	2,300.00	2,289.75	10.25
Sealer's Salary	690.00	690.00	
" Other Expenses	160.00	155.12	4.88
Salaries—Board of			
Health	300.00	300.00	
Salary—Clerk	220.00	220.00	
Tuberculosis and			
Contagious Diseases	3,500.00	1,800.50	2,199.50
Meat and Milk Inspection	550.00	547.02	2.98
Toxin-Antitoxin	100.00	100.00	
Vital Statistics	500.00	500.00	
District Nurse	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Highway Repairs	18,501.32	18,495.83	5.49
Snow Removal	7,500.00	8,361.18	861.18 OD
Snow Loader	6,500.00	6,500.00	
Oiling Roads	6,000.00	5,999.41	.59
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.00	2,999.91	.09
Sewers and Culverts	2,500.00	2,498.60	1.40
Walk Repairs	3,000.00	2,999.28	.72
New Trucks	3,047.23	3,026.75	20.48

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
So. Main St. Sewer	1,900.00	1,899.31	.69
Shearer St. Sewer	450.00	447.89	2.11
Street Repairs —			
" Pine St. "D"	375.00	372.02	2.98
" Main St. "D"	1,400.00	1,399.67	.33
" Stewart, Crest and Hill "D"	1,900.00	1,896.90	3.10
" Baptist Hill	1,200.00	1,199.83	.17
Sidewalk —			
Squier St. "A"	140.00	139.75	.25
Curbing — Church and			
Center St. "B"	162.00	161.89	.11
Street Lighting	12,162.75	11,731.44	431.31
Memorial Approaches	768.00	767.30	.70
Public Welfare Dept:			
Support of Poor	13,500.00	13,221.29	278.71
Town Physician	500.00	491.00	9.00
Salary of Junior Clerk	226.00	226.00	
Salary of Agent	330.00	330.00	
Salary of Board	600.00	600.00	
Old Age Assistance:			
Salary of Board	300.00	300.00	
Assistance	50,021.55	49,542.90	478.65
Federal Grant for			
Administration	939.64	733.97	205.67
Federal Grant for Aid	29,547.43	26,847.67	2,699.76
Aid to Dependent Children:			
Aid	6,280.00	6,280.00	
Federal Grant for			
Administration	363.96	169.40	194.56
Federal Grant for Aid	2,407.07	2,150.88	256.19
Soldiers Relief	11,000.00	10,299.26	.74
State Aid	1,200.00	715.50	484.50
Military Aid	1,500.00	1,280.00	220.00

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Veteran's Service Center	3,300.00	2,969.34	330.66
Burial of Soldiers and Sailors	100.00		100.00
Education:			
Support of Schools	169,517.20	169,516.15	1.05
New Steam Boiler	2,176.43	2,056.03	120.40
Adult Alien Educ.	1,500.00	990.11	509.89
Trade School Tuition	2,000.00	1,909.77	90.23
Special Appropriation	91.90	91.90	
Elimination of Fire Hazards	13,500.00	9,319.71	4,180.29
Smith-Hughes Fund	585.64	581.64	4.00
Insulation — Three Rivers			
Grammar	700.00	700.00	
Young Men's Library			
Ass'n.	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Animal Inspection —			
Salary	200.00	200.00	
Expenses	100.00	100.00	
Civilian Defense	1,565.00	1,524.45	40.55
County Aid to Agriculture	25.00	25.00	
Public Dump	50.00		50.00
Edw. T. Goodreau Post	166.00	166.00	
General Insurance	1,428.00	1,412.22	15.78
Workmen's Compensation			
Insurance	1,172.00	1,171.97	.03
Legion Field, Eager Playground and Burleigh Park	4,450.00	4,449.78	.22
Memorial Day	400.00	399.40	.60
Planning Board	300.00	18.10	281.90
Repairs — Memorial Hall	1,388.09	1,388.09	
Town Engineers	50.00	50.00	
Town Reports	708.40	708.40	
Wing Memorial Hospital	500.00	244.68	255.32

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
W.P.A.	50.00		50.00
Reserve Fund	14,000.00	14,000.00	
Care of Cemeteries	8,000.00	7,442.95	557.05
Care of Neglected Graves	300.00	292.00	8.00
Tool House — Oak Knoll Cemetery	1,000.00		1,000.00
Maturing Debt	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Interest on Maturing Debt	155.00	.155.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	1.00		1.00

# Trial Balance

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	Dr.	Cr.
Cash	\$379,355.97	
Taxes, 1945	165.07	
Taxes, 1946	18,648.69	
M. V. Excise Tax, 1945	28.70	
M. V. Excise Tax, 1946	948.09	
Tax Titles	37,585.04	
Tax Possessions	1,768.35	
Overlay, 1945		198.37
Overlay, 1946		1,236.46
Overlay Reserve		18,743.29
Accounts Receivable:		
Board of Health	5.00	
Highways	15.12	
Schools	325.10	
Old Age Assistance	846.60	
Aid to Dependent Children	887.62	
Veteran's Benefits	1,101.50	
Park Department	35.00	
Special Assessment, Sidewalk and		
Curbing	97.74	
County Tax	214.95	
State Parks and Reservations	209.32	
Dog Licenses — Town Clerk		9.00
Sale of Land Account		2,950.00
Sale of Forest Lake Schoolhouse		800.00
Blue Cross & Shield Deductions		67.15
Withholding Tax Deductions		2,336.30
Departmental Revenue		3,215.94

State Aid to Highways—	
Maintenance	.03
Construction	20,000.00
County Aid to Highways—	
Maintenance	1,000.00
Construction	10,000.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Revenue	976.79
Tax Title Revenue	38,826.33
District Tax Title Revenue	527.06
Sidewalk and Curbing Assessment	
Revenue	97.74
State and County Aid to Highways	
Revenue	31,003.03
Excess and Deficiency	323,813.14
Auditing and Accounting	90.00
Town Clerk—Binding Records	50.00
Tax Collector's Salary—Previous years	380.00
Tax Collector's Salary, 1946	190.00
Snow Removal	861.18
Chapter 90, Road Construction	40,000.00
Old Age Assistance:	
Federal Grant for Administration	205.67
Federal Grant for Aid	2,699.76
Aid to Dependent Children:	
Federal Grant for Administration	194.56
Federal Grant for Aid	256.19
Education—Elimination of Fire Hazards	4,180.29
Education—Smith-Hughes Fund	4.00
Public Dump—Rent or Lease	50.00
Oak Knoll Cemetery—Tool House	1,000.00
Interest on Temporary Loan	1.00
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	\$474,099.07
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	\$474,099.07

## Report of Board of Selectmen

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The Board organized with Peter F. Warakomski as Chairman and George B. Cheney as Clerk.

The following appointments were made: Hon. Ernest E. Hobson, Town Counsel; Harriette Paine, Bookkeeper; Jeremiah Lamery, Supt. of Highways; Robert L. McDonald, Clerk of Highways; Stanley J. Strzemienski, Moth Supt.; Walter Connor, Burial Agent; Charles O. Murphy Auctioneer; Howard Banks, Janitor of Lockup; Kjeld Johnson, Keeper of Dump; Victor French and George L. Rogers, Town Engineers; Albert A. Boissey, Sealer of Weights and Measures; George S. Gay, Inspection of Animals.

During the year Harriette Paine resigned as Bookkeeper after thirty years service and was replaced by Francis J. Lynch.

Joseph Marchelewicz returned from the armed services during the year and resumed his duties as Inspector of Animals replacing George S. Gay who had served in his absence.

Under the project of resurfacing of roads, a total of nine and one half miles of road were oiled and a total of 39,924 gallons of oil was used.

On new work specified by special articles a total of 9516 gallons of oil was used.

A total of 1858 feet of sidewalks were covered with Type 1 material and 615 feet of concrete walk and curb-

ing was constructed. Included in the latter figure were several driveway approaches.

There were 27 new sewer connections completed during the year.

All work was completed as specified under special articles.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER F. WARAKOMSKI

GEORGE B. CHENEY

DANIEL W. O'CONNOR

Board of Selectmen

## Civilian Defense and Rationing Board

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Appropriation:	\$1,565.00
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Expenditures:

Salary	\$1,140.00
Telephone	85.49
Janitor	275.00
Supplies	15.19
Postage	.72
Travel Expense	8.05
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	\$ 1,524.45
Balance	<hr/> \$ 40.55

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. HOLBROOK

## Report of Tree Warden

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Amount appropriated	\$ 2,300.00
Amount spent	2,289.75
Balance	\$ 10.25

During the year 1946 the Tree Dept. took down 26 trees which were dangerous or badly infected. The Dept. took out 5 stumps, which were obstructive to walks or private property. The Dept. trimmed 186 trees of dangerous dead limbs and limbs rubbing houses or roofs. The Dept. raised low limbs on various streets throughout the villages. During the summer months we had a severe storm which knocked down a number of trees and broke and split a great many branches, which had to be repaired. During 1946 the dutch elm disease was discovered in Palmer and four infected trees had to be taken down and disposed of.

During 1947 the most important job of this department is to combat the Dutch Elm disease which is spreading throughout New England and which will destroy our elm trees if not halted.

W. H. CAMBO,

Tree Warden

## Report of Forest Fire Warden

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1946, and recommendations as follows:

During this year our department answered alarms for twenty-three forest, brush or grass fires many of which were believed caused by sparks from railroad engines. For these fires caused by railroads the Town was reimbursed to the extent of some \$342.00 Two convictions were obtained through the local court for the starting and/or burning of outside fires without permits.

At the writing of this report our department has not yet obtained a license from the Federal Communications Commission for our two-way radio. Many technicalities and a lot of red tape has tied the permit up, but we hope to have the set in operation this year in conjunction with the radios maintained and operated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Forestry Department in conjunction with whom we shall operate.

The condition of the equipment is excellent and maintainance costs have been low. Some 450 feet of forest fire hose was purchased this year to replace hose bought during the war years which has proved unsatisfactory and a liability.

Our recommendations for this year include again another portable forest fire pump and the addition of a two-way radio to operate in conjunction with our mobile unit and be located at the headquarters of our department here. These recommendations entail an appropriation of about \$1,000.00 and will increase the efficiency of our department greatly.

Stress is again made to our townspeople that permits are necessary for all open air fires at any time of the year, regardless of weather conditions.

My thanks to your Board for your loyal cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR M. FRENCH

Forest Warden



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

## **School Committee**

OF THE

## **TOWN of PALMER**

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For the fiscal year ending December 31, 1946

## CALENDAR

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Winter Term:

Begins January 6, 1947; ends February 21, 1947

Spring Term:

Begins March 3, 1947; ends April 25, 1947

Summer Term:

### **Grades**

Begins May 5, 1947; ends June 13, 1947

### **High**

Begins May 5, 1947; ends June 27, 1947

Fall Term:

Begins September 2, 1947; ends December 19, 1947

Winter Term:

Begins December 29, 1947; ends February 20, 1948

Spring Term:

Begins March 1, 1948; ends April 23, 1948

Summer Term:

### **Grades**

Begins May 3, 1948; ends June 11, 1948

### **High**

Begins May 3, 1948; ends June 25, 1948

## VACATIONS

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Winter:

February 22, 1947, to March 2, 1947

Spring:

April 26, 1947, to May 4, 1947

Summer:

Grades

June 14, 1947, to September 1, 1947

High

June 28, 1947, to September 1, 1947

Fall:

December 20, 1947, to December 28, 1947

Winter:

February 21, 1948, to February 29, 1948

Spring:

April 24, 1948, to May 2, 1948

Summer:

Grades

June 12, 1948, to September 6, 1948

High

June 26, 1948, to September 6, 1948

## School Committee 1946-1947

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GARRETT P. T. CAVANAUGH, Chairman

CLIFTON H. HOBSON, Secretary

TREVOR BAKER	Term expires 1949
GARRETT P. T. CAVANAUGH	Term expires 1948
STANLEY W. WISNEWSKI	Term expires 1948
JOSEPH A. FUREY	Term expires 1947
DR. CHARLES H. GIROUX*	Term expires 1947

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Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at 7 p. m. on the Tuesday before the last Friday of each school month.

All bills must be in the hands of the Superintendent on Monday before the above date.

Superintendent of Schools, Clifton H. Hobson

Office Hours: 8 a. m. to 12 m.; 1 to 5 p. m.

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\*—Resigned October 24, 1946—Paul Heine, Jr.,  
elected to succeed Dr. Giroux December 30, 1946.

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee of the Town of Palmer:

I herewith present my thirty-sixth report as Superintendent of Schools in Palmer. This is the fifty-fourth in the series of reports issued by the superintendents of the Town.

## THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The public schools of our country need no defense. Their work throughout the century, and more, of their existence speaks for itself. No encomium is necessary. Without them, the America of to-day would be non-existent. They have been the nursery of democracy.

The recent World War was an outstanding demonstration of the effectiveness of our democratic system of education.

There are weaknesses. Mistakes and errors crop up. Human instrumentality, the director and guide, is always weak. The path has always been upward and onward. Every fall has been a body-length nearer the goal.

The motives are clean; the endeavors, honest and real; the results good.

The public schools deserve public support—moral as well as financial.

America, deep down in her heart, is proud of her schools.

## ATTENDANCE

The attendance statistics for the school year of 1945-1946 were as follows:—Enrollment, 1,360; Average Membership, 1,269.452; Average Attendance, 1,177.019; Per Cent of Attendance, 92.719; Tardinesses, 227.

Our attendance statistics over a 35-year period have invariably been indicative of a healthy condition.

## GRADES

The quality of work done in the grades has always been good.

Pupils transferring from Palmer to other school systems, provided they have normal, or better, ability, have always gone into the same grade—often have been advanced a grade.

Superintendents, principals, and teachers in nearby systems have always rated the grade work highly.

Palmer has had a fine reputation for her work in primary reading—a reputation that has even gone beyond state boundaries.

The work in arithmetic has been often commended.

Recently, an instructor of a foreign language in a western university who knows Palmer, commented on the preparation given locally in English grammar as compared with that—or the lack of it—in the west.

The method of attack in all grade subjects has a distinct Palmer flavor. Good, bad, or indifferent—the results have been quite satisfactory. The period upon which to form judgment—35 years, more or less—is sufficiently long for “proof of the pudding”.

Don't mistake us! We are not boasting. We are simply stating facts as we see them, bearing definitely in mind all factors that enter into any appraisal—physical equipment, money, pupils, teachers, etc. If anyone knows these conditions, we should.

We are not perfect, in any particular—far from it. We know the weaknesses as well as the strengths. We willingly admit them.

## HIGH SCHOOL

The Palmer High School was instituted in 1851. Five years from now—1951—will be the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the school. A fitting recognition should be made.

**Rating.** The record of the high school down through the years has been good. She has had the certificate privilege to any college that will accept pupils upon certification from any high school. With rare exception, all such pupils have done well—we have proof for such statement.

All statements to the contrary, the school is still rated in Class A by the State Department of Education,

the last rating being given last spring.

Recently, A. Russell Mack, Supervisor of Secondary Education, State Department of Education, visited the high school. He made a complete inspection of the school, visiting every teacher and room. He expressed himself verbally to the Superintendent to the effect that he found the school in excellent condition, commenting upon the very fine spirit that existed between teachers and pupils. His only adverse criticism was the use of the old high school.

His visit was followed shortly by one from Daniel J. Kelly, Director of Physical Education, State Department of Education, who expressed approval of the set-up and work done. He said that Legion Field was one of the finest set-ups in the state.

Never in the history of the school have so many graduates been in higher institutions—universities, colleges, professional schools, etc.—as now. This number includes Ex-GI's as well as our other graduates. Never before have so many institutions over such a wide geographical spread been represented—north, south, east, and west.

If the high school has “slipped”, as reported, these graduates would not be where they are.

Criticism is not resented, provided it is based upon fact.

**Function.** Fitting for college is only one phase of high school work. This touches only 10% to 15% of the graduates. The other 85% to 90% go out directly into the activities of everyday life. Are they fitted to become “good citizens”—in its broadest connotation? If so, the school has done the major part of its task well.

The public ought to be a good judge of this, as so many of them are former members of the school.

**Addition.** The greatest need is an addition to the high school as briefly outlined in last year's report. Plans, as outlined in a Federal Government set-up, should be secured at once. At the most favorable time, an addition should be made.

**Accounts.** A conception of the amount of money handled in the high school by the various organizations is impossible without a brief picture.

The statement for the school year September 1945, —June, 1946 will be found on page 136.

All money is carefully handled, paid out upon proper authorization, and accounted for in monthly financial statements by certain designated teachers who act as treasurers.

**Lunchroom.** Last spring, you adopted the Federal Lunch Program. This gives us a subsidy of 2¢ on half-pints of white milk, 7¢ on hot dish without milk, and 9¢ on hot dish with milk. As a result, milk and hot dish are furnished pupils at a price correspondingly less. For example, a hot dish—2 ounces of meat or protein, 2 vegetables, bread and butter—costs the pupil only  $12\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; with milk,  $17\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; with dessert, 24¢. This would cost elsewhere double or more.

Our prices have not been increased, in spite of the fact that wages and cost of food have risen materially. Nearly all other schools have increased prices. We hope to avoid it. Our aim is the most food for the least money. We are very fortunate in having a manager with the skill of Mrs. Randlett.

STATEMENT OF PALMER HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNTS  
 School Year September, 1945 — June, 1946

Account	Balance Sept., 1945	Receipts 1945-1946	Total Receipts	Total Payments	Balance June, 1946
Assembly	\$ 133.97	\$ 162.99	\$ 296.96	\$ 132.71	\$ 164.25
Athletic Association	421.70	1,929.83	2,351.53	2,048.25	303.28
Band	63.42	1,410.48	1,473.90	1,452.01	21.89
Class of 1946	163.60	5,036.57	5,200.17	5,200.17	0.00
Class of 1947	95.27	1,253.76	1,349.03	1,157.64	191.39
Class of 1948	79.50	181.25	260.75	133.00	127.75
Class of 1949	0.00	81.00	81.00	0.00	81.00
Dramatic Club	239.38	254.04	493.42	219.91	273.51
Football Equipment Fund	0.00	1,043.83	1,043.83	0.00	1,043.83
French Club	12.30	6.25	18.55	9.27	9.28
General Fund	268.21	1.34	269.55	.84	268.71
Glee Club	25.38	0.00	25.38	0.00	25.38
Lunchroom	537.48	7,224.81	7,762.29	6,910.90	851.39
Orchestra	17.04	0.00	17.04	0.00	17.04
“Palmer, The”	235.02	482.15	717.17	472.60	244.57
Pep Club	54.12	145.74	199.86	168.73	31.13
Pro Merito	10.20	0.00	10.20	4.50	5.70
Student Activity Fund	0.00	829.80	829.80	829.80	0.00
Student Council	91.33	64.07	155.40	59.87	95.53
Treasurer's Fund	0.00	14.00	14.00	2.54	11.46
	\$2,447.92	\$20,121.91	\$22,569.83	\$18,802.74	\$3,767.09

Another feature under this set-up is the gift of Federal Commodities. We have received since September the following:—4,400 lbs. of potatoes; 500 lbs. of onions; 500 lbs. of cabbage; 20 cartons of beets—6-No. 10 cans per carton; 16 cartons of carrots—24-No. 2 cans per carton; 12 cartons of tomato flakes—6-No. 10 cans per carton; 7 cartons of crushed pineapple—24-No. 2½ cans per carton; and, 5 cartons of orange juice—6-No. 10 cans per carton. The total value, roughly, is \$428.46. This helps materially in keeping prices down.

We have been very materially helped out in equipment by the Federal Program. They gave us \$600 toward a \$775 electric ice-box—a 43 cu.ft. box; and paid in full for a 10-burner-2-oven gas stove, installed, \$250.-53; also, a mixmaster valued at \$35. The total is \$885.-53. Later, we hope to get a dishwasher-sink combination.

We are limited by the Federal set-up to cash on hand of \$1,000. There is no limit on inventory. At the end of 1946, our balance was \$728.22; our inventory, \$615.42; total, \$1,343.64. We have an "eye" on the "rainy day".

**Athletics.** This fall, through the efforts of Mr. P. E. Shearer, \$843.83 was made available for football equipment. In addition \$400 was made available from Palmer High School Athletic Association funds.

There were good attendances at the games. At the close of the year, the Athletic Association had a balance of \$1,693.37.

**Band.** The band was uniformed last spring at a cost of \$1,173.90. Mr. Turner, leader, was largely responsible for raising the money. The note for the balance was discharged just recently.

The band has done well and added much "pep" to the football games.

### VETERANS' EDUCATIONAL CENTER

On January 28, 1946, the Veterans' Educational Center opened at Palmer High School with an enrollment of 21 students.

The purpose of this center is to furnish training for veterans who desire:

- 1). To meet the requirements for a high school diploma, or state high school equivalency certificate;
- 2). to prepare veterans to meet college entrance requirements;
- 3). to further train in special fields not necessarily leading to a diploma.

Courses in all levels of English; Algebra; Geometry, Review of Mathematics; American History; Social Problems; Chemistry; Physics; French, Shorthand; Bookkeeping; and Typewriting have been offered. Since English and Mathematics are basic subjects, these courses naturally attracted the greater number of enrollees.

These statistics tell briefly the story:

#### Enrollment:

Winter and Spring	63
Summer (July 1 - Sept. 5)	35
Fall	49
	147*

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#### Enrollment by towns:

(From January, 1946, to present)

Palmer	97
Belchertown	2
Brimfield	1
Monson	7
Warren	2
Wales	1
Woburn	1
	111*

Diplomas granted	8
Diplomas earned (not yet given out)	4
Prepared for college and accepted	18
Entered Preparatory school	3
Now working for P. H. S. diploma	20
Now working for diploma from other towns	4
Now taking refresher courses for college	11

\* - Actually 111 different students; some are counted in more than one term.

## HIGH SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD WAR II

As of graduation time in 1946, roughly speaking, 1,563 men and women from Palmer were, or had been, in the Armed Forces.

This number was made up as follows:

Graduates	598
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Members—not graduates	366
Total	964
Non-Members	599
Grand Total	1,563

Graduates and members made up 61 2/3% of the total number—not a bad showing.

The Gold Star Honor Roll for the Palmer High School contains 25 names—16 graduates and 9 members.

In order that the names of those who made the supreme sacrifice be placed upon record for future reference, the list is here given:

#### GRADUATES

Brozek, Joseph J.  
 Frydryk, Frank  
 Giza, Joseph P.  
 Goodreau, George E.  
 Hannant, Fred  
 Hryniwicz, Frank  
 Janik, Chester Frank  
 Kusek, Stanley J.  
 Les, Albin W.  
 Mosio, John S.  
 Mulvey, Leo F.  
 Murphy, David  
 Roman, Joseph A.  
 Small, Lloyd W. Jr.  
 St.Amand, Walter H.  
 Sullivan, John R.

## NON-GRADUATES

Blair, James F.  
Dominik, August J. Jr.  
Hamilton, Richard J.  
Johnson, Clark J.  
Kos, Raymond A.  
Mietelski, Joseph S.  
Thomas, Philip L.  
Topor, Adam J.  
Zalenski, Walter

In all, 44 lives were lost, 25 of which were former high school pupils.

This whole picture bespeaks much for the school. Much as it reflects credit upon the school, it reflects much more upon the pupils themselves.

This showing was not true of Palmer only; it was duplicated throughout the length and breadth of the country. In fact, this is America!

## HEALTH WORK

Health work in our school has always been good—especially since 1921 when we first took on a school nurse.

**Tuberculosis.** In 1921, work in detection of tuberculosis was begun in the Palmer Schools. Palmer was the first school system to ask Dr. Chadwick of Westfield State Sanatorium to do this work. Later, the State, as a result, adopted a 10-year program under which some 400,000 children were examined. For many

years, yearly clinics were held for both children and adults.

In 1926, a large clinic was held, manned by some dozen experts in medicine, nutrition, and nursing. Thorough and full examinations were given all children whose parents gave written consent.

Briefly, the results were:

Total Number of Children Examined,	1,583
Total Number of Contacts Examined,	37
Total Number of Children Given Tuber-	
culin Test	1,582
Total Number Re-actors,	452
Percentage of Re-actors,	29%
Total Number X-rayed,	471
Total Number Cases of Hilum Tuberculosis,	37
Percentage of Hilum Cases of X-rayed,	8%
Percentage of Hilum Cases of Children	
Examined,	2%
Total Number of Suspects,	51
Percentage of Suspicious Cases of Child-	
ren X-rayed,	11%
Total Number of Cases Classified as	
Negative,	376
Percentage of Negative Cases,	81%
Total Number of Children With Enlarged	
or Diseased Tonsils and Adenoids,	574
Percentage of Tonsil and Adenoid Cases,	36%
Total Number in Need of Dentistry,	1,140
Percentage of Dental Cases,	72%
Total Number of Children with Abnormal	
Heart Sounds,	36
Percentage of Abnormal Heart Sounds,	2%
Total Number of Cases of Malnutrition,	111
Percentage of Malnutrition	7%

Notices were sent home where defects were found and later a re-examination was given for a check-up.

**Diphtheria.** In 1927, a very intensive effort was made to secure as wide an immunization of pupils as possible against what was then the great childhood scourge — Diphteria. A large clinic was held, the first, I believe, in western Massachusetts. Permissions were gotten from parents where possible to allow their children to be immunized. Those 10 years or over were first Schicked to determine their susceptibility. Those who proved susceptible were then given this Toxin, Anti-Toxin without Schicking.

A re-Schicking was given in the fall to determine whether or not immunity had been established. Where not, three more treatments were given.

The statistics of this immunization work in the schools were:

Diphtheria Immunization

SPRING 1927

Schicking and First Administration of Toxin  
Anti-Toxin.

(Pupils under 10 years of age given Toxin Anti-Toxin without Schicking; pupils 10 years or older first Schicked and, if found positive, given Toxin Anti-Toxin.)

Summary

Enrollment	1,888
Permissions	1,249
Per cent. Permissions	66.15
Number Schicked	624
Number Positive	314
Number Negative	310

Number Toxin Anti-Toxin Treatments	2,829
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Each pupil given three treatments —  
943 pupils treated.

OCTOBER, 1927

Re-Schicking

(All pupils given Toxin Anti-Toxin six months previously Schicked to see if immunity was established.)

Summary

Number Schicked	764
Number Positive	289
Number Negative	475
Per cent. Positive	37.82

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1927

Second Administration of Toxin Anti-Toxin

(All pupils given Toxin Anti-Toxin who, by re-Schicking were found to be still susceptible, were given second administration of Toxin Anti-Toxin.)

Summary

Number First Treatment	284
Number Second Treatment	276
Number Third Treatment	273

Number Toxin Anti-Toxin Treatments	833
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First Administration of Toxin Anti-Toxin to First Grade Pupils

(It is our purpose to give each fall Toxin Anti-Toxin to all first graders where parental permission is granted.)

Number First Treatment	81
Number Second Treatment	78
Number Third Treatment	77
Number Toxin Anti-Toxin Treatments	236

### Grand Summary

Total Number of Schickings 1,388

Total Number of Toxin Anti-Toxins 3,898

In 1927, I said in this report: — “If every parent would allow his child to be immunized, diphtheria would absolutely become an unknown quantity in Palmer. It is difficult to make the parents realize, in many cases, that treatments such as these should be given their children. Some parents are suspicious of any effort of this kind that is put forth. It is all in the best interests of the child. Nothing bespeaks more highly the present-day attitude throughout the country of those in authority than work of this sort, which, distinctly lessening the number of deaths, is given to the children without any cost to them individually.”

Since then, every year this clinic has been held. Many lives have been saved. Were all children immunized, there would be no diphtheria. We can offer; we cannot compel.

The cases of diphtheria since 1927 number as follows:—1927—17; 1928—3; 1929—7; 1930—3; 1931—5; 1932—4; 1933—0; 1934—1; 1935—0; 1936—0; 1937—2; 1938—1; 1939—0; 1940—0; 1941—0; 1942—0; 1943—0; 1944—0; 1945—0; 1946-47—7. Fifty cases in 20 years.

Our school system is among the leaders — if not first—in percentage of pupils immunized. Back in 1934, a report on status of immunization among school children in the State revealed these facts: — In Group IA, cities of 25,000 and above, 64% have been immunized; in Group IB, cities between 10,000 and 25,000, 58%; in Group II—our group—towns of 5,000 to 10,000, 64%; Group III, under 5,000, 41%; State, 48%. Palmer's 81% far exceeds any of these and shows the effectiveness of the work that was done.

In 1936, after 10 years of clinics, over 3,000 children had been immunized.

In these 20 years, not a person who has been fully immunized has had the disease.

The flare-up of the past few weeks has caused us to offer, in conjunction with the Board of Health, further treatment. We had just finished a few weeks ago our yearly clinic — 150 children were immunized. Booster doses were given 641 pupils. 272 high school pupils were Schicked. Additional clinics are being held to allow any who now desire immunization a chance to get it.

The schools and Board of Health have done their part for 20 years and are now extending themselves to meet the present situation. If parents will respond, diphtheria can be "licked". It is "up" to the parents. Some still refuse to give consent. May I repeat—we can offer; we cannot compel!

## SCHOOL SUPPORT

The time has come—and is long overdue—when relief from taxation on real estate must be given. In the 1937 school report, I wrote:—"Locally, the cost of edu-

cation has never been high. Even the most ardent advocates of cutting who are at all fair admit this. Their desire is to lower tax rate and relieve real estate of its burden. They are correct in their desire to relieve real estate. Their method is not always correct. They should tackle the problem at its source. The schools do not cost too much; the method of taxation is wrong, antiquated, and archaic.

"Years ago, real estate — land, buildings, cattle, horses, etc.—was the only way for the individual to invest his money. It was tangible investment, easily apparent and, therefore, easily taxed, with no possibility of escape. Consequently, the tax on real estate came into existence and has, with persistency, continued to prevail as the main source of income to support local governmental functions.

"The day has long been here when a change should be made. Throw much of the burden on other taxable sources!

"A recent recess State legislative committee has just suggested a sale tax of 2 per cent to handle relief. From this, Palmer, I believe, would profit to the extent of lowering its tax rate about \$7.50.

"A similar proposal for legislation by the Massachusetts Superintendents' Association would do the same for education. This latter proposal strikes me personally as the better, inasmuch as educational costs will, I hope, be more even, year by year, in their impact upon local costs. But, which ever method is adopted — and one should be, I feel—Palmer would profit greatly.

"In my opinion, every taxpayers' organization and every citizen should back one or the other. Here is where

real relief can be secured if the demand is sufficiently great."

At the present time, the Mayors' Association, the Selectmen's Association, the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation, etc., are active in attempting to secure more money from the State in order to relieve local taxation from its burden in part, at least. Sales tax and other taxes are suggested. Whereas Massachusetts is about eighth in financial ability, she is about forty-sixth in furnishing State funds in support of education. There must be relief!

## CONCLUSION

The report is not as brief as usual. There was some factual matter that should be presented. The report is, indeed, more factual than inspirational.

Appreciation is extended to all—school committee, citizens, parents, teachers, and pupils—who have, in any way, aided us in our endeavor to give Palmer a fairly good and efficient school system.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFTON H. HOBSON

Superintendent of Schools

Palmer, Massachusetts, January 16, 1947.

# TOWN WARRANT

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Hampden,

Town of Palmer,

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer,  
in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A, in the High School Gymnasium on Converse Street in the Depot Village; in Precinct B, at the Thorndike Grammar School in Thorndike; in Precinct C, at the Three Rivers Grammar School in Three Rivers, and in Precinct D, at the Bondsville Grammar School in Bondsville, on Monday, the third day of February, A. D. 1947, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the precinct officers of the several voting precincts of said town, for the following officers, to wit: 3 Selectmen, 5 Constables, 3 License Commissioners, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, 3 Auditors, and a Tree Warden, all for the term of one year; 1 Member of the Board of Health, 1 Member of the Board of Public Welfare, 1 Assessor, 1 Cemetery Commissioner, 2 Members of the

Planning Board and 2 Members of the School Committee, all for the term of three years.

Also to vote by ballot, which shall be "Yes" or "No", upon the following question: "Shall the provisions of section forty of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, as amended, relative to equal pay for men and women teachers be in force in this town?"

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House at Four Corners in said Palmer, on Monday, the tenth day of February, A. D. 1947, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all other usual town officers.

Article 3. To act on the reports of the town officers.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 5. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To hear and act on reports of committees.

Article 7. To choose committees and give them instructions.

Article 8. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

Article 9. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to convey pupils to and from public schools and instruct the school committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

Article 10. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 12. To see what action the town will take in respect to lighting the streets and whether it will authorize the selectmen to make contract therefor, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 13. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims now pending against the town.

Article 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

Article 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy, brown-

tail and satin moths and elm tree beetles, and other insect pests.

Article 16. To see if the town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the cost of rent, janitor service and maintenance of the town offices in the Holbrook Building.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to help defray the cost of maintaining the District Nurse.

Article 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money under the authority of Section 22 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws for the care of graves of persons who served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States in time of war or insurrection and were honorably discharged from such service.

Article 19. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

Article 20. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks and curbing.

Article 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money to be paid to the Wing Memorial Hospital Association for the charitable purposes of said association in this town, or for the care and support in said hospital of persons wholly or in part unable to support or care for themselves, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any of the articles of this warrant.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the granting of adequate assistance to deserving citizens of the town in need of relief and support sixty-five years of age or over under the provisions of Chapter 118A of the General Laws, and for expenses to be incurred in connection with the granting of such assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure, provided that the selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see what action the town will take relative to the care and preservation of the Memorial Approach to the High School, the plot of land at Shearer's Corner upon which the General Knox Marker is located, and the memorial plots in the several villages of the town.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the operation and maintenance of Burleigh Park, Legion Field and the Eagler Playground in the Depot Village, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 27. (a) To see what action the town will take with reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees; (b) To see if the town will vote to determine and fix the salary of the tree warden and raise and appropriate money for the same; (c) To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for

labor and materials and tools for use in connection with the Department of the Tree Warden.

Article 28. To see if the town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be expended for the burial of soldiers or sailors, their wives and dependent children, or other members of the Armed Forces of the United States under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to pay a salary to members of the Board of Public Welfare chosen to serve in the Division of Old Age Assistance, in addition to the salary received by them as members of said Board of Public Welfare, fix the amount thereof, and raise and appropriate any money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of the Veterans' Service Center.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the granting of assistance under the provisions of the Massachusetts Aid to Dependent Children Law, Chapter 118 General Laws, and for expenses to be incurred in connection with the granting of such assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to construct a new bridge over the Quaboag River in Main Street in the Village of Three Rivers and appropriate and raise by taxation or otherwise any sum of money there-

for, said sum to be used in conjunction with any money allotted for this purpose by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to sell, at private sale or public auction, upon such terms as the selectmen shall deem for the best interests of the town, a certain tract of land situate in Palmer Center, in said Palmer, and being a portion of the Town Farm land, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the easterly line of the highway leading from Palmer Center to Brimfield with the southerly line of Smith Road, so-called, thence EASTERLY along the southerly line of said Smith to land now or formerly of the Boyle Realty Company; thence S. 29° W. along last named land three hundred seventy-six (376) feet to a corner; thence N. 74° W. along last named land four hundred sixty-eight (468) feet to the easterly side of said Palmer Center-Brimfield Road; thence NORTHERLY along the easterly line of said road to the place of beginning; being a portion of the premises described and conveyed in deed of Ralph Green to the Town of Palmer dated November 12, 1863, and recorded with Hampden County Deeds, Book 223, Page 145;

and authorize the selectmen, in the name and behalf of the town to execute, acknowledge and deliver a deed conveying said land.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to accept the following perpetual care funds which have been given to it during the year: Emma J. Rouvellat \$100.00; Mabel B. Hamilton \$200.00; Lena L. Maxwell \$100.00; Lewis R. Holden \$200.00; Louise Moore Welsh \$200.00; William E. Breckenridge \$300.00; Fred H. Dow \$200.00;

Marion R. Moore \$200.00; William E. and Ellen Taylor \$200.00; Harold C. Parkhurst \$200.00; John C. Picking \$100.00; Albert A. Brown \$100.00; Blanche H. Rathbone \$400.00; Hubert M. Sedgwick \$200.00.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the purpose of making external and internal repairs to the Memorial Hall Building in the Depot Village, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to accept Section 4B of Chapter 136 of the General Laws, providing for the licensed operation on the Lord's Day of bowling alleys.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to adopt a by-law prescribing regulations relative to the construction, alteration, repair and inspection of all plumbing work within the town, as required by Section 13 of Chapter 142 of the General Laws.

Article 39. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money to provide and maintain quarters for Edward T. Goodreau Post #1813, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States for the year 1947, authorize the selectmen to negotiate and execute, in the name of the town, a lease for the same, and raise and appropriate money for repairs to said quarters and for the rental thereof.

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the improvement of highways as follows: (a) Improve the highway running from the Four Corners-Bondsville Road at Fuller's Corner, so-called, to its intersection with Pine Street; (b) Improve that portion of Main Street, Three Rivers, formerly occupied by the trolley tracks, from the bridge to the Polish

Hall; (c) Improve Water Street in the Depot Village from the end of the present hardened surface to Dublin Street, a distance of about 850 feet; (d) Improve and widen Breckenridge Street from its intersection with the Ware Road at Palmer Center to its intersection with Pinney Street.

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to improve North Main Street in the Depot Village from the end of the present improved road about opposite the residence of Frank Williams, northerly about 400 feet, and appropriate and raise by taxation or otherwise, or by transfer from available funds, any sum of money therefor, said sum to be used in conjunction with any money allotted for this purpose by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to improve Bridge Street and the Palmer Road in Three Rivers, from its intersection with Springfield Street to the railroad underpass, and appropriate and raise by taxation or otherwise, or by transfer from available funds, any sum of money therefor, said sum to be used in conjunction with any money allotted for this purpose by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 43. To see if the town will vote to improve the River Road, formerly known as the West Ware Road, in Bondsville, from the end of the present hardened surface to the Ware town line a distance of about 2400 feet, and appropriate and raise by taxation or otherwise, or by transfer from available funds, any sum of money therefor, said sum to be used in conjunction with any money allotted for this purpose by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 44. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction of new sewers and catch basins as follows: (a) Sewer in Griffin Street, Bondsville, starting at the last manhole in said street and running easterly about 78 feet; (b) Sewer in Woodland Street in the Depot Village; (c) Sewer in Salem Street, Depot Village, running southerly about 150 feet from South Main Street to a point near the residence of Warren E. Tyler; (d) Sewer in North Street, Three Rivers, from the end of the present sewer northerly a distance of about 400 feet; (e) Sewer in George Street, Depot Village, from the end of the present sewer near the residence of William J. Taylor northerly a distance of about 500 feet.

Article 45. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction of new sidewalks as follows: (a) Install concrete curbing on Main Street, Bondsville, along the property of John Duda, a distance of about 65 feet; (b) Walk in Church and Pleasant Streets, Thorndike, from the corner of Main and Church Streets to present walk near property of one St. Amand; (c) Walk on High Street, Thorndike, from the intersection of Church and High Streets at Lake Junction a distance of about 2610 feet to the intersection of High and Commercial Streets; (d) Walk, with curbing, on Main Street, Bondsville, in front of the Lincoln Block; (e) Walk on the southerly side of Main Street, Thorndike, from property of one Jorcak to property of one Sanford.

Article 46. To see if the town will vote to install and maintain additional electric lights as follows: (a) 2 lights on Longview Road in the Depot Village.

Article 47. To see what action the town will take relative to providing larger and more adequate quarters for the offices of town clerk and collector of taxes in the Holbrook Building.

Article 48. To see if the town will vote to include the school teachers of the town within the terms "laborers, workmen and mechanics" as used in Sections 68 to 75, inclusive, of Chapter 152 of the General Laws, as permitted by Section 69 of said Chapter.

Article 49. To see if the town will lease the Wenimesset School Building in Three Rivers to the American Veterans Committee, Inc. Romuald Renaud Chapter #468, for a term of five years, at a rental of \$1.00 per year, for use as quarters and for recreational facilities.

Article 50. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for the repair and maintenance of the Wenimesset School Building in Three Rivers.

Article 51. To see if the town will establish a community recreational center in the Wenimesset School in Three Rivers, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or authorize the selectmen to lease said building to any association or organization for the purposes of a recreational center to be maintained by such organization or association.

Article 52. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to buy or lease a tract of land from one Fila on the Bondsville Road, near Fuller's Corner, for a town dump, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 53. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$153.02 to pay Faulkner Hardware Company for materials furnished the highway department.

Article 54. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$835.00 to pay the Construction Equipment Company of Hartford, Conn., for one heavy duty reversible moldboard with flareplate standard lift

frame and underframe mounted, sold to the town for use by the highway department.

Article 55. To see if the town will vote to rent any portion of the old engine house on Park Street, Depot Village, to the Palmer Athletic Club and to the Boy Scouts.

Article 56. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for repairs to the old engine house on Park Street, Depot Village.

Article 57. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the repair or replacing of the heating system in the Park Street School in the Depot Village.

Article 58. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00, or any sum, for the purpose of building a living memorial to the veterans of Palmer, said memorial to be in the form of an addition to the high school building and to include a swimming pool, modern accessory rooms, and a large gymnasium capable of seating 750 to 1000 people, and a field house; and raise said sum by taxation or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 59. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2500, said sum to be specifically used for the purchase of athletic equipment under the direction of the school committee.

Article 60. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5000, or whatever sum may be necessary, to purchase portable bleachers to seat 4000 people for use at Legion Field.

Article 61. To see if the town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for a stabilization fund as authorized by the provisions of Chapter 124 of the Acts of 1945, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 62. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the purpose of erecting an appropriate memorial tablet or marker at Hryniewicz Park in Three Rivers (formerly known as the Common), said tablet or marker to show that the park was named in honor of Frank Alphonse Hryniewicz, the first Palmer boy to lose his life in World War II.

Article 63. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Public Health, for the purpose of giving to the school children attending parochial or private schools in the town substantially the same medical examinations and tests now afforded to the children attending the public schools.

Article 64. To see if the town will vote to sell, at private sale or public auction, upon such terms as the selectmen shall deem for the best interests of the town, a certain tract of land, containing five and three-tenths (5.3) acres, situate near Palmer Center, in said Palmer, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on the easterly side of the road leading from the Depot Village to Palmer Center at a stone bound and at corner of land now or formerly of William J. and Lucy Nevue, thence S.  $58^{\circ} 12'$  E. one hundred ninety-eight (198) feet to a stone bound; thence N.  $48^{\circ} 58'$  E. four hundred fifty-one and  $50/100$  (451.50) feet to a stone bound; thence N.  $89^{\circ} 13'$  E. one hundred eighty-six (186) feet to a stone bound; thence N.  $00^{\circ} 35'$  E. three hundred thir-

ty-eight and 40/100 (398.40) feet to a stone bound on the southerly side of the highway leading from the Depot Village to Palmer Center, all of the above courses being along line of land now or formerly of William J. and Lucy Nevue; thence Westerly along the southerly side of said highway one hundred twenty-eight (128) feet to a stone bound; thence Westerly by a curve to the left two hundred ten and 81/100 (210.81) feet to a stone bound; thence Southwesterly one hundred twenty-two and 53/100 (122.53) feet to a stone bound; thence Southwesterly by a curve to the left two hundred nine and 26/100 feet to a stone bound; thence S. 23° 28' W. two hundred eighty-six and 80/100 (286.80) feet to the place of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed to the Town by deed of William Burdick dated May 25, 1918, and recorded with Hampden County Deeds, Book 1016, Page 457;

and authorize the selectmen, in the name and behalf of the town to execute, acknowledge and deliver a deed conveying said land.

Article 65. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended for the preparation of a base map and comprehensive zoning by-law for the entire Town of Palmer, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 66. To see if the town will vote to establish a planning board under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 81A of the General Laws, with all the powers and duties therein, to consist of six members to be elected by ballot at the next annual town meeting; two of said members to be elected for a term of one year, one for the term of two years, one for the term of three years, one for the term of four years, and one for the term of

five years and thereafter their successors to be elected annually for terms of five years each.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in some one public place in each of the four villages of the town, known as the Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bonds-ville, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting and by publishing an attested copy thereof in at least two issues of the Journal-Register, a newspaper published in said Palmer, the first publication to be not less than seven days before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of January, A. D. 1947.

PETER F. WARAKOMSKI

DANIEL W. O'CONNOR

GEORGE B. CHENEY

Selectmen of Palmer

A true copy, Attest:

JAMES H. CARTER

Constable of the Town of Palmer

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